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Metro Cities Annual Meeting is Next Week!

Metro Cities' Annual Meeting is next Thursday, April 21, starting at 5:30 p.m. The evening will begin with a social hour (cash bar and hors d'oeuvres). Nationally renowned public policy expert and Hamline Professor David Schultz will be our guest speaker this year, at 6:30 pm. The meeting finishes with a brief business meeting at 7:00 p.m.

There is no cost to attend, but we ask that you RSVP by contacting Laurie Jennings at Laurie@metrocitiesmn.org, or 651-215-4000. Many city officials will be in attendance. We hope to see you the 21st!

Senate Releases Budget Targets

This week, the Senate majority leadership released overall supplemental budget targets. The House majority released its targets last week and the Governor released his recommendations last month. The overall targets set caps on spending for each budget area, and address how to use the \$900 million projected state surplus.

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The Senate supplemental budget target proposes to allocate \$789 million of the \$900 million surplus, with \$300 million of the targeted allocated to the Tax Committee for various types of tax relief as well as local aids. The target for Taxes, according to Senate majority leadership, is lower than what the Senate proposed in 2015, and takes into account a recalibration of the 2015 omnibus tax bill that remains in conference committee.

Other areas of the state budget that would receive funding under the Senate proposal include K12 education (\$48M), Higher Education (\$47.7M), Health and Human Services (\$43.3M), Natural Resources/Economic Development (\$60M, Broadband (\$85M), and a new Subcommittee on Equity (\$91M). The Senate allocates \$31.5M for transportation. The transportation target does not include the comprehensive transportation bill proposal and spending levels that remains in conference committee. The Senate did not release a target for a bonding bill.

The House proposal by contrast spends the \$900 million surplus, allocating \$450 million for transportation, and \$450 million for taxes, with no new net spending in other budget areas. The Governor's supplemental budget proposal recommends spending \$689 million of the \$900 million surplus, with spending levels in committees similar to the Senate proposal. The House proposes a \$600 million bonding bill; the Governor's recommended bonding proposal is for \$1.14 billion.

The third committee deadline for Finance bills is next Friday, April 22, and budget divisions this week and next will continue the process of assembling, debating and passing omnibus supplemental bills. It remains unclear at this point as to when taxes and transportation conference committees will reconvene.

Metropolitan Governance Bills Update

Bills to modify the governance structure of the Metropolitan Council have had hearings in both the House and Senate. The House bill is in the State Governance Finance

Committee with no hearing yet scheduled, and the Senate bill is on the Senate floor. The bills have key differences, and some similarities. Below is a summary for each

House bill (Rep. Albright-HF 2467)

- Provides for four year staggered terms for Metropolitan Council members (Metro Cities supports)
- All Metropolitan Council members would be required to be local elected officials appointed by the Governor (Metro Cities opposes)
- The nominating committee that recommends Metropolitan Council members would be expanded to 13 members as opposed to the current seven in law, and all members would be required to be local elected officials (seven county and six city) appointed by Metro Cities and the Association of MN Counties (Metro Cities supports a majority of local officials on this committee, but recognizes a role for citizens on a nominating committee).
- Provides for a public notice requirement for nominating committee recommendations prior to gubernatorial appointment of Metropolitan Council members (Metro Cities supports)
- Provides for a Blue Ribbon Study Commission to study the role of the Metropolitan Council (Metro Cities policies support a comprehensive and forward thinking study, with appropriate stakeholder input. We have concerns with the makeup of the committee as proposed).

Senate bill (Senator Dibble-SF 2385)

- Provides for four year staggered terms for Metropolitan Council members (Metro Cities supports)
- Members would continue to be appointed by the Governor; no local officials on the Metropolitan Council (Metro Cities supports)
- The nominating committee would be expanded to 13 members, with seven members appointed by the Governor, three members appointed by Metro Cities, and three by the Association of MN Counties. (Metro Cities supports a majority of local officials on a nominating committee)
- Provides for a public notice requirement for nominating committee

recommendations prior to gubernatorial appointment of Metropolitan Council members. (Metro Cities supports)

- The bill states that Council members should have knowledge in the areas of housing, transportation, the environment and regional development as well as understand the time commitments involved in Council membership, including attending community meetings (Metro Cities supports)
- The bill requires an appointed Equity Advisory Committee to assist the Metropolitan Council in looking at ways to reduce poverty, evaluate transit routes, and explore social and economic growth opportunities. (Metro Cities does not have a position on this issue, but supports city official participation on any Metropolitan Council committees and task forces).
- No Study Commission provision in the bill.

Metro Cities encourages city officials to express support for Metro Cities' governance positions with legislators. Stay tuned for further updates. Questions? Contact Patricia Nauman at 651-215-4002 or email: patricia@metrocitiesmn.org

SAC Bill Heard in House State **Government Finance Committee**

A SAC (sewer availability charge) bill that would prohibit the Metropolitan Council from charging SAC for outdoor seating capacity was heard in the House State Government Finance Committee this week. (See Metro Cities' April 8th newsletter for bill details). The bill was referred to the Rules Committee, as the bill missed the policy committee deadline for a hearing. The Senate companion, authored by Senator Torres Ray, has not been scheduled for a hearing and at this point has also missed committee hearing deadlines. Metro Cities' supports a review of the outdoor seating capacity issue with cities and other SAC stakeholders, rather than having any SAC criteria changes in statute. Address criteria and other SAC related issues have been traditionally addressed through processes that allow for input by all affected stakeholders. The Metropolitan Council also supports a review of the issue through a stakeholder process.

Questions? Contact Patricia Nauman at 651-215-4002 or email: patricia@metrocitiesmn.org

House Releases Jobs Bill – Broadband, Housing, Economic Development

The House Omnibus Jobs, Growth and Energy Affordability bill was released yesterday and proposes to cut the Minnesota Investment Fund by \$12 million and the Job Creation Fund by \$8.5M in 2017. This is a reduction to the funding amounts approved for the second year of the 2016/17 biennium. The bill funds the state redevelopment grant program at \$1 million, a Governor Dayton proposal. The bill as proposed also funds various workforce development bills, through one-time grants, for a total of \$3.9 million.

The bill also cuts the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency's Challenge Program by \$5 million. The bill provides \$250,000 for incentives to landlords to rent to higher risk tenants.

The bill also contains \$15 million for broadband, with \$5 million of the funds earmarked for Greater MN economic development (job creation and retention). \$1 million is earmarked for wireless broadband technology and \$500,000 earmarked for low-income areas.

The omnibus bill will be heard in committee early next week and Metro Cities will testify in support of the redevelopment and workforce development funds and share concerns to the proposed cuts to DEED and Minnesota Housing budgets. Contact Charlie Vander Aarde at 651-215-4001 or charlie@metrocitiesmn.org with any questions.

State Government Finance Supplemental Budget Bill Includes Interim Ordinance Change

The House State Government Finance Budget Committee passed their Supplemental Budget bill, HF 3168, on Thursday. The bill as adopted contains an amendment relating to interim ordinances that would require cities to provide a 10 day notice before a hearing to adopt any interim ordinance related to housing. The amendment does not include the 2/3 vote requirement contained in the original introduction of HF 2585. To see the amendment, click here.

Questions? Please contact Steve Huser at steven@metrocitiesmn.org or 651-215-4003.

Metropolitan Landfill Contingency Account

HF 2841 made its way through the House Ways and Means committee on Monday. With this bill, the Metropolitan Landfill Contingency Fund will be invested with the Minnesota Board of Investment for better returns. There is an additional risk, but House research stated that there would be an estimated 4.5 percent of growth and it is based on historical information. The bill, authored by Rep. McNamara, passed unanimously and was sent to the general register.

Senate Equity Subcommittee Hears Bills

The Senate established an equity subcommittee earlier this month to look at legislative proposals that address disparities in Minnesota. The subcommittee of the Senate Finance committee is chaired by Sen. Jeff Hayden and Sen. Bobby Joe Champion, both from Minneapolis.

The committee met three times and heard several dozen bills this week, many which seek to address disparities through grants to organizations that support either workforce development or business development. The bills address a variety of factors that impact equity, from racial disparities, to job training, to business development, to food access. The Senate announced \$91 million in its budget target for equity proposals. Many of the grants will be made directly from DEED or DHS to nonprofits and other organizations to implement the programs.

Metro Cities will continue to monitor these proposals as they move into the supplemental budget.

Transportation Committees Hold

Supplemental Budget Hearings

The House and Senate Transportation
Committees held hearings on supplemental omnibus transportation bills this week. The House Transportation Committee heard
Department of Public Safety and
Department of Transportation supplemental budget proposals. The Governor's transportation proposal is similar to his transportation budget proposal from the end of last session. To view documents used in this presentation, click here. No votes were taken on in this hearing.

The Senate supplemental budget for transportation passed out of committee on Thursday evening. It includes money for rail safety as well as language relating to unmanned flying vehicles, or drones. The Senate supplemental transportation target is \$32 million. New allocations include regional airport items, rail safety initiatives and funding for a state patrol academy. To view Senate Transportation documents, click here.

Questions? Please contact Steve Huser at steven@metrocitiesmn.org or 651-215-4003.

Massage Therapy Bill Heard in Senate Health and Human Services Budget Committee

On Tuesday, the Senate Health and Human Services Budget Committee heard SF 1310- Eaton, the massage therapy registration bill, and laid the bill over for possible inclusion in an omnibus finance bill. There is significant work being done on the bill before its possible inclusion in the committee's omnibus bill, which will be presented next week. The calculations necessary to determine the amount of fees that could be collected are complicated by the fact that the registry would be voluntary and users not required to practice massage therapy. If passed, this legislation will create a registry for those who practice massage and body work therapy that would be overseen by the MN Board of Nursing. Practitioners who meet the new guidelines will be allowed to use the title "registered massage and bodywork therapist" or "RMBT."

Questions? Please contact Steve Huser at steven@metrocitiesmn.org or 651-215-4003.

Met Council Approves 2016 Regional Solicitation

On Wednesday, the Met Council approved the 2016 Regional Solicitation for Federal transportation funding, with minor changes from last year's solicitation. The Regional Solicitation process is the method by which federal transportation dollars are allocated within the seven-county metro area. The Regional Solicitation will likely be formally released for applications next month. Metro Cities will keep you posted as new information is released. Questions? Please contact Steve Huser at steven@metrocitiesmn.org or 651-215-4003.

Met Council Releases Disparities Study

The Metropolitan Council released a new research analysis this week focused on disparities in the metro region. The study by Council staff used the U.S. Census Bureau's 2014 American Community Survey (ACS) data to look at disparities between persons of color and White, non-Latinos in poverty rates, homeownership, employment, and level of education.

The report, called <u>Diving Deeper:</u>
<u>Understanding Racial Disparities in the Twin Cities Region</u>, was developed after the release of the ACS data in 2015 and a request from Met Council members on learning more about the disparities, specifically the gaps between the region's white and non-white residents' homeownership, employment, and income rankings.

The research asks a number of questions, then analyzes the data to control for variables. Questions asked include: Are there meaningful demographic differences between the region's Black, Latino, Asian and White residents? To what extent do demographic differences drive the region's large racial and ethnic disparities in employment, income, and homeownership? What other evidence suggests the region's

disparities are strongly tied to race and ethnicity and not the result of other trends?

The study made efforts to control for a variety of factors that could lead to the disparities. The report summary states, "when the influence of demographic differences between White residents and Black, Latino, and Asian residents is removed through statistical modeling, many of the disparities in employment, average hourly wage, and homeownership remain."

The analysis was presented at Wednesday's full Council meeting. Council members stated that work is needed to reduce disparities, noting the future demographics of the region, and impacts on the workforce and economic competitiveness of the region. The Council noted its internal efforts to address disparities and stressed the region's need to acknowledge and reduce the racial disparities in the region.

Additional information on the Diving Deeper analysis can be found on the Council's website.

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Crystal explores train "quiet zone"



Train noise is a hot topic in Crystal. Ron Chase's house sits about 200 feet from the railroad crossing at Douglas

"You can't get use to that loud noise."

Relief could be on the way for Chase and other residents in the area. The city is looking into seeking federal approval for a train horn "quiet zone," which would impact railroad crossings at Douglas Drive and West Broadway. A quiet zone is a federally designated area where rains no longer routinely sound their homs in advance of road crossings.

"Train engineer always has discretion in any situation to sound a horn if there's imminent emergency," said John Sutter, Crystal's community development director.

Canadian Pacific trains travel often through the Crystal intersections. For years, some people who live in the Forest and Becker neighborhoods have complained about the train horns.

"It gets very annoying," said Chase.

"It's really loud. I can hear it from my house," said resident Cesar Berra. "I bet everybody can hear it from their houses too."

Right now the city is gathering comments and information from residents about a train quiet zone to present to the city council in early June.

Sonya Goins, reporting

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| 3.17.2016 | UNIVERSITY OF STREET | 7:05 pm | Crystal City Hall | | |
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| Meeting called by | ReNae Bowma | n, EQC Secretary | | | |
| Type of meeting | City of Crystal, | Environmental Quality Com | nission Meeting | | |
| Note taker | ReNae Bowma | n | | | |
| Attendees | Commissioners: ReNae Bowman, Kyle Turner, Dave Anderson; Council Liaison: Olga Parsons | | | | |
| Old Business | | | | | |
| [Time allotted] | General Discussion | | | | |
| 1. Approve Minutes | Moved by Com | missioner Anderson with a s | econd provided by Commissio | ner Bowman. | |
| 2. Officer Election | None | | | | |
| Action Items | | | Person Respons | ble Deadline | |
| Old Business - Genera | i i | | | | |
| [Time allotted] | General Discus | ssion | | MAE. | |
| Discussion | 2016 EQC Init | iatives | | | |
| Conclusions | See below: | | | | |

EQC 2016 initiatives: Discussed near future projects:

1. GreenStep Purchasing Policy- to obtain another GreenStep standard for the city. Council will support only if it saves money, no other elaborations from the council.

Reviewed New Hope's GreenStep Cities Purchasing Policy.

First we need Anne's input of section 3.2. We want to discuss this with Anne at the April 21 EQC meeting. Commission will recommend the adoption of Section 3.2 of New Hope's policy subject to Anne's input.

Questions raised: Ask vendors for their environmental stats, which many companies now have, we should be working with companies that respect that waste, recycling and pollution costs the community at large and we are seeking to minimize the damage done.

Learn more about Section 3.3 bidding requirements. This area looks like just general state law establishing SOP bidding requirements for cities. We can discuss.

Dave brought us Minnesota Statute 16C.073 purchase and use of paper stock to let us know it is state law to buy paper with a minimum of 30 percent post-consumer material by weight and purchase printing and office paper with at least 10 percent post-consumer material by weight . . . it is the law for cities.

For April 21 meeting, we request from Anne an update of Crystal's current and pending items from the 39 Best Practices list.

2. Annual MAC Park and Cavanagh rain garden clean-up: June 11

Get some volunteers and plan logistics. Anne, is Park and Recreation planning to participate? I sent Janet Moore a personal invite to advise on the rain garden clean-up, she is the expert.

3. Tech Dump Day, May 21:

Flyers from Amanda LaGrange, notify Sun Post and Channel 12

| Action Items | | | Person Responsible | Deadline |
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| New Business | | | | |
| [Time allotted] | [Presenter] | | | |
| Discussion | None | | | |
| Conclusions | Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. | | · | |
| Action Items | | | Person Responsible | Deadline |
| Next meeting: April | 21, 2016 | | | |

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April 2016

Upcoming Events

April 29—TCYP Summit

May 4 — Chamber 101

May 13 —TwinWest Legislative Breakfast

May 19th—Crystal New Hope Business Council

May 26 — Business Awards Luncheon

June 10 — Legislative Breakfast

July 22—Crystal-New Hope Golf Tournament

For the most up to date information on TwinWest programs and events see our website, www.twinwest.com





News from the City of Crystal

Anne Norris, City Manager www.crystalmn.gov

- Two infill development projects, Gardendale Subdivision and Gaulke Pond, are bringing to market 24 lots for construction of new single family homes.
- This year's street reconstruction project, Phase 15, Twin Oaks neighborhood, is moving forward.
- The year's alley reconstruction project in Welcome neighborhood is moving forward.
- Crystal Gallery's renovation is nearing completion and the last piece, redoing and improving the parking lot, is underway.
- Looking forward, the community has identified development opportunities near the proposed Bottineau LRT station at Bass Lake Road.



News from the City of New Hope

Kirk McDonald, City Manager www.ci.new-hope.mn.us

The Centra Homes "Parkview" development is currently underway at 55th & Winnetka. The project includes the construction of 29 step-up single family homes and 31 detached townhomes. The developer plans to complete approximately 20 homes per year over the next three years.

The city council has approved the planning/zoning applications for the \$38 million Alatus redevelopment adjacent to the New Hope Golf Course, which includes the construction of a 4-atory, 183 unit luxury apartment complex. The development contract is in progress, with a closing anticipated later this summer and fall construction start.

Approximately 3 miles of streets south of Northwood Lake are being improved, two-thirds are being reconstructed with new water main and services installed. The city is also completing an MSA improvement project that includes approximately 2.5 miles of streets, including full reconstruction of 49th Avenue between Boone and Winnetka Avenues.

An innovative storm water improvement project is underway at Northwood Park to improve water quality. An underground tank will capture and filter sediments from the water before it enters the lake; the water will also be used for the irrigation of ball fields. The playground equipment is replaced to include a dual zip-line and the Three Rivers Park District regional trail will be extended through the park later this summer.

Mn. DOT will be mobilizing in the near future to start construction of the noise wall extension on the east side of the TH 169 between 42nd & 49th Avenues.

The New Hope Golf Course is open and a number of other summer events will start or take place in June: City Day/ West Metro Fire-Rescue Open House June 4th, swimming pool open June 11th and New Hope Farmers Market starts June 18th.

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News from the Robbinsdale School District

www.rdale.org

New Hire

Kristine Wehrkamp will be joining the Robbinsdale Area Schools as its new Executive Director of Community Education. Prior to coming to Robbinsdale Area Schools, Wehrkamp served for three years as the director of community education in White Bear Lake Schools. She will officially start on June 20.

State of the District Address

Robbinsdale Area Schools is excited to invite students, families, staff and district stakeholders to the State of the District Address at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at FAIR School Crystal.

Seven Dreams Education Foundation Awards Eighteen Hands-on Learning Grants

2016-2017 Hands-on Learning Grants were awarded this past Monday and Tuesday totaling over \$36,000. From preschool to adult settings, grants promote innovative learning initiatives in Robbinsdale Area Schools

Empty Bowls raises \$13,000 for local food shelves

Nearly 1,000 people attended the sixth-annual Empty Bowls March event, at Robbinsdale Cooper High School, raising nearly \$13,000 for PRISM and NEAR food shelves.



Scholarships

TwinWest Foundation will award \$20,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors in 2016! We will celebrate the recipients of those scholarships at our Business Awards Luncheon on May 26th.

Advocacy

We are working at the Legislature to pass meaningful business property tax relief and a 10-year comprehensive transportation package. Please contact Deb at TwinWest for additional details on these and our other advocacy efforts.

Networking & Education

TwinWest is partnering with the Eden Prairie Chamber of Commerce on two upcoming events. The Twin Cities Young Professional's Summit (TCYP) on April 29th, and a Women's Progressive Networking Luncheon on May 12th. All are welcome, please see www.twinwest.com for more information on either of these events.

New Hires

TwinWest Chamber welcomes two new member sales employees. Kathy Peterson and Catherine Reller have joined the TwinWest staff. If you know a business would benefit from TwinWest membership, please provide a warm introduction!

Legislative Breakfast Series

TwinWest welcomes former legislative leaders to our April Legislative Breakfast. Gov. Arne Carlson, Speaker Margaret Anderson-Kelliher and Sen. Majority Leader Larry Pogemiller will serve on our panel.

More Information

As always, please see our website, www.twinwest.com or call any member of the TwinWest staff for additional information.



TwinWest Chamber of Commerce
Business Awards Luncheon
Thursday, May 26, 2016 | 11:00
AM-1:00 PM
Marriott Minneapolis West

More Information





Crystal-New Hope Business Council
Golf Tournament

Friday, July 22, 2016 New Hope Village Golf Course

Crystal Planning Commission Agenda

Monday, May 9, 2016 7 p.m. Crystal City Hall Council Chambers

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Introduction of new Planning Commission Member Tim Daly
- 3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Monday, February 8, 2016 meeting minutes
- 4. Public Hearings*
 - a. Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan to allow Beacon Academy to locate at the existing Cornerstone Church property at 3420 Nevada Avenue North
- 5. Old Business None
- 6. New Business None
- 7. General Information
 - a. City Council actions on previous Planning Commission items: Forest Elementary CUP and Gardendale Subdivision
 - b. Update from Council Liaison
 - c. Update on City Code Review Task Force
 - d. Next Meeting: Monday, June 13, 2016 at 7 p.m.
- 8. Open Forum
- 9. Adjournment
- * Items for which supporting materials will be included in the meeting packet.

CITY OF CRYSTAL

PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND SITE PLAN APPLICATION FOR BEACON ACADEMY

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE 7:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016 CRYSTAL CITY HALL (4141 DOUGLAS DR N)

The Crystal Planning Commission will consider a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and Site Plan application from Beacon Academy to locate at the existing Cornerstone Church/Lionsgate Academy property at 3420 Nevada Avenue North.

General summary of the proposal:

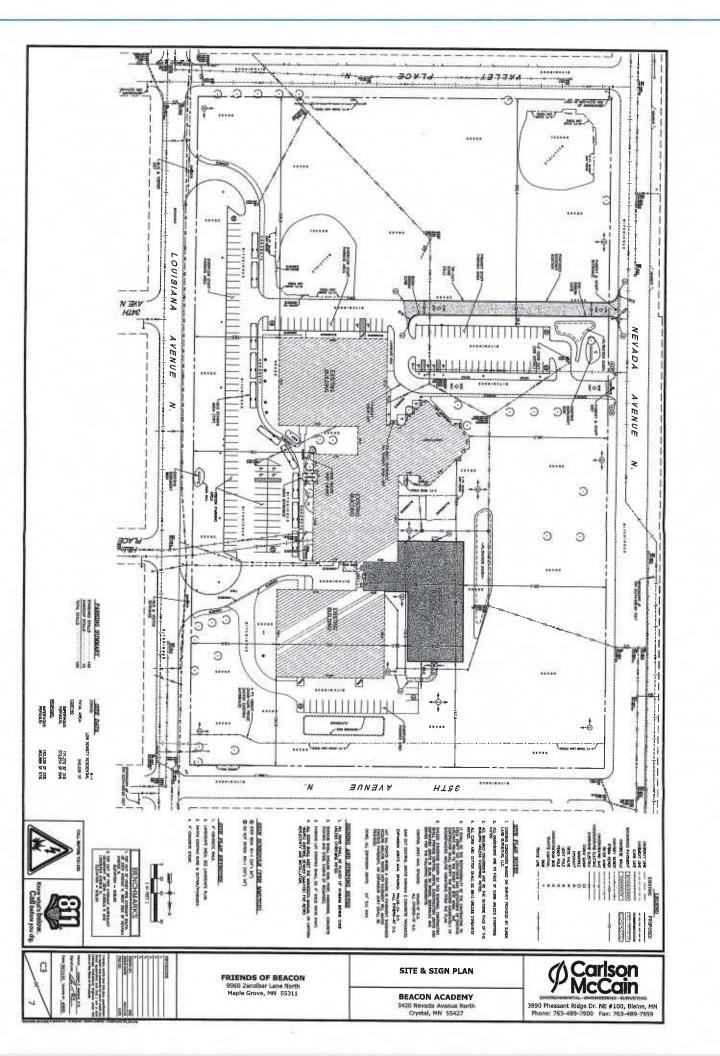
- Beacon Academy is a public charter school currently located in Maple Grove with an enrollment of 400 students in grades K-8. Beacon is proposing to purchase and relocate to the property at 3420 Nevada Avenue North in Crystal, with classes beginning in Fall, 2017.
- The current users of the 3420 Nevada property are Lionsgate Academy and Cornerstone Church. It is anticipated that Lionsgate would move out in summer 2016 and Cornerstone would move out in summer 2017.
- Beacon would add approximately 15,000 square feet of classroom space along the west side of the building at 3420 Nevada and increase their enrollment to 750 students.
- School buses and staff would access the site from Louisiana Avenue using the existing
 parking lot and driveways on the east side of the building. Parents would access the site
 from Nevada Avenue for student pick-up and drop-off, with a second driveway to be added
 approximately 90 feet south of the existing driveway on Nevada.
- The existing church-owned house at 3447 Louisiana would be included in the purchase. Beacon intends to demolish this house and incorporate the site into the school grounds.

The public is invited to view the proposal at Crystal City Hall during normal business hours or on the city website at www.crystalmn.gov/city departments/land use applications.php. The Planning Commission staff report will be available for viewing after May 6th at the same weblink.

To discuss the proposal or submit written comments for the record, please contact Dan Olson, City of Crystal, 4141 Douglas Dr. N., Crystal, MN 55422, dan.olson@crystalmn.gov or 763-531-1142.

To speak directly to the Planning Commission, please attend the public hearing on Monday, May 9, 2016 at 7 p.m. at Crystal City Hall.

LEGAL NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of Crystal will meet on May 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Crystal City Hall, 4141 Douglas Drive North, in said City, to consider a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan Application for Beacon Academy to locate at the existing Cornerstone Church property (3420 Nevada Avenue North). After holding the public hearing, the Commission is expected to make a recommendation to the City Council for their meeting on Tuesday, May 17, 2016. Persons desiring to be heard are invited and encouraged to attend the public hearing. Persons unable to attend may submit written comments prior to the date of the hearing to: Dan Olson, City of Crystal, 4141 Douglas Dr N, Crystal MN 55422. Auxiliary aids for handicap persons are available upon request at least 96 hours in advance. Please call the City Clerk at 763-531-1145 to make arrangements. Deaf and Hard of Hearing callers should contact the Minnesota Relay Service at 800-627-3529 V/TTY or call 711 to be connected to a TTY.







Senate DFL Releases Budget Targets

Last week, House Republicans released their budget priorities for this year's session, and on Wednesday the Senate Democrats released their committee budget targets. These targets indicate how much money each committee has to spend on their omnibus bill packages.

The Senate budget targets (with a House comparison) are as follows:

| Committee | Senate Budget Targets | House Target Comparison |
|--|--|---|
| Broadband | \$85 million | \$35 million |
| E-12 Education | \$48.2 million (assumes E-12 spending of \$100.5 million, which includes \$50 million of additional K-12 spending offset by allowing school districts the option of early state loan repayments) | O change (Approximately \$50 million of additional K-12 spending offset by allowing school districts the option of early state loan repayment, \$7 million of savings will fund expanding broadband access) |
| Environment and Energy | \$7.5 million | \$3.9 million (Funding for MnDNR to uphold decisions regarding copper and nickel mining by Polymet in Northeastern Minnesota) |
| Equity | \$91 million | No funding |
| Health & Human Services | \$43.3 million | 0 change (Committee will repurpose federal grants for different priorities) |
| Higher Education | \$47.7 million | 0 change |
| Judiciary and Public Safety | \$45 million | \$1 million (recouping extra funds from MINN-COR enterprise fund) |
| Natural Resources, Eco- nomic Development, & Agriculture | \$60 million | \$11.7 million (Including \$13 million in 2017 and \$15 million in 2018 toward Minnesota's Border-to-Border Broadband Development Program offset by savings to be determined by committee) |
| State Departments and Veterans | \$30 million | \$9.5 million (efficiencies to be determined by committee) |
| Taxes | \$300 million | TBD |
| Transportation and Public Safety | \$31.5 million | TBD |

They said it:

"I found the budget forecast to be disquieting; it shows that there isn't an economic downturn, but certainly a leveling off. The Senate is going to be very mindful of that. Whatever budget we pass out of the Senate will not put the state in deficit next year."

- Rep. Richard Cohen (DFL-St. Paul), Senate Finance Chair

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The deadline for the major budget bills is Thursday, April 21. The legislature will then have Friday, April 22 to Monday, April 25 off for Passover break. When they return, it is expected that committee meetings will give way to longer floor sessions to pass bills off the House and Senate floor. The legislature then has until Monday, May 23 to come to an agreement over the supplemental budget bill, as well as Transportation and Tax packages. Here is an update on where the legislature stands on each major budget area:

E-12 Omnibus Bills

This week, the House and Senate Education Finance committees assembled and passed their respective supplemental budget bills out of committee. The House Education Finance Committee has a zero target, meaning the committee must live within the current budget adopted last session. This target does allow, however, for the expenditure of approximately \$52 million of additional K-12 spending offset by allowing school districts in the maximum effort loan program the option of early repayment of these loans. So in practicality, the House supplemental bill appropriates \$52 million.

The Senate E12 target is \$48 million. They propose the same early repayment of maximum effort loans mechanism that the House is using to free up an additional \$52 million, leaving the overall spending level at \$100 million.

Tackling the teacher shortage issue is a priority for many this session. Both the House and Senate include funding to support efforts to reduce the teacher shortage problem the state is facing. They also agree on efforts to provide additional technology funding for broadband access to schools, but they agree on little else.

The Senate proposal includes the governor's pre-Kindergarten program, which proposes to provide funding for school districts with elevated numbers of low-income students. This proposal is a modified version of the governor's universal pre-Kindergarten proposal from last session. The House does not include any additional funding for early learning except for funding of the Parent Aware rating system and few smaller proposals. The Senate also prioritized funding for school counselors and other student support services staff. This funding is a grant program and the \$13 million, if passed in to law, is only one-time. The House provides additional funding for school-linked mental health programs and both provide

additional funding to school-wide positive behavior supports.

The House provides additional funding to school districts that do not currently receive equity revenue. This revenue program funding is intended to reduce the per pupil disparity between the highest and lowest revenue school districts.

A number of policy provisions are included in the House bill. The most notable one is a proposal requiring school districts and local teachers unions to negotiate an unrequested leave of absence plan. This is most commonly referred to as last in/first out.

Elections Omnibus Bills

With just five weeks remaining in the 2016 Legislative Session, both the Senate and House Omnibus Elections bills are awaiting action to be taken by each chamber on the floor. Typically a major elections bill is dealt with in the first year of the biennium (which was the case last session), and not going into an election year as we are this coming fall. However, a number of issues still remained from last session and a few new ones were introduced this session. The Senate Omnibus Elections bill SF 2381 (Sieben) was passed out of committee two weeks ago; it includes a number of provisions heard by the committee the past two years. Through the process of passing through other committees that have jurisdiction over the bill, two sections that were seen by members as controversial were stripped from the bill. Amendments removed the June Primary language (SF 1394) and the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) ballot email and fax return language (SF 2571).

The omnibus bill SF 2381 now includes the following measures:

- Pre-registration of 17-year-olds
- Voter assistance cap removal
- Election administration bill
- School board member vacancy election modifications
- Elections Emergency Task Force Recommendations
- In-person absentee ballot reforms
- ES&S assistive voting technology bill
- Minor party petition reforms

In the House, the Omnibus bill HF 2688 (Sanders) was passed and sent to the floor by the Government Operations and Elections Committee. HF 2688 does not go as far as the senate companion, as only a small handful of bills are now included in the House language. Here is what currently sits in the House Omnibus Bill (HF 2688):

- Election administration bill
- School board member vacancy election modifications
- Appointment of county officers

Because the two bills have a number of differences, the conference committee (once it is announced) will have considerable work as members try to find common ground between the House and Senate.

Higher Education Omnibus Bills

While the agendas of the House and Senate Higher Education committees were somewhat similar, their respective budget targets resulted in drastically different omnibus bills. The House Higher Education committee received a budget target of zero change, meaning that the only provisions within the bill had either be policy related or have no fiscal impact. The House Higher Education bill focused on policy provisions that would result in a decrease in student debt. Some of the provisions in the bill include an effort to increase awareness of existing federal loan forgiveness programs, expanding eligibility for child care grants to students in graduate programs, and requiring the Department of Education to establish "college ready" benchmarks on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment test. The bill contained none of the provisions requested by the University of Minnesota at the beginning of session.

Meanwhile, the Senate Higher Education committee received a budget target of \$47.7 million. The main focus of the funding went toward tuition relief for University of Minnesota and Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, receiving \$16 million and \$7 million respectively, toward tuition relief. The tuition relief funding also carries into fiscal years 2018-19. Also contained in the Senate Higher Education article was \$2.5 million to be sent to the state grant program, increasing the number of eligible recipients by potentially 900 people. There was also a \$14.4 million funding package to be dedicated to an equity and opportunity initiative that was discussed in the Senate Committee on Racial Disparities.

Health and Human Services Omnibus Bill Released in the House

The House Health and Human Services omnibus bill (HF 3467) was released this past week. With a budget target of zero, the bill moves dollars around without reducing or adding funds. The legislation shares only one recommendation from Gov. Dayton's supplemental budget: funding for certified community behavioral health clinics. Other highlights of the bill include \$5.8 million for chemical dependency Institutions for Mental Disease facilities, \$2.2 million for Medical Assistance estate property recovery, \$1.6 million for White Earth tribal child protection, and \$1 million to residency programs for Greater Minnesota family medicine.

The Senate will release its HHS Supplemental Finance bill next week. The Senate committee received a budget target of \$43.3 to spend in its bill.

Tax Omnibus Bill Update

The 2015 legislative session adjourned without passing an omnibus tax bill, and the Senate and the House could not have been much further apart on their approaches to tax policy. That distance may have grown after the House and Senate announced their spending priorities for the projected \$900 million surplus.

Though the details have yet to be released, House Republicans have announced that they plan to use the projected surplus entirely on tax cuts and transportation. Senate Democrats released their supplemental budget targets, which include approximately \$300 million in targeted tax cuts. Details on how both the Senate Democrat and House Republican majorities plan to structure tax cuts will become more evident in the next two weeks.

Transportation Omnibus Bill Update

With failure to agree on a substantial transportation funding package during the 2015 legislative session, there continues to be trepidation at the legislature as to whether the House and Senate will be able to agree on a funding and policy package by the conclusion of this year's session. The Senate's long-term plan passed last year uses an increase to the gas tax to provide comprehensive funding for the next 10 years, while House Republicans look to redistribute existing

revenue sources to fund transportation projects around the state.

House Republicans have announced they plan to utilize Minnesota's projected \$900 million budget surplus for transportation funding and tax cuts, while Senate Democrats have proposed supplementing transportation spending by \$31.5 million. Earlier this week, the Senate Transportation and Public Safety Committee outlined its supplemental spending priorities which include increases for state airports, establishing an interagency rail director at the Department of Transportation, rail planning, rail safety, state road program planning and delivery, and funding to the State Patrol to recruit, hire, train and equip a State Patrol Academy.

State Revenue Falls Short of Projections

The office of Minnesota Management and Budget (MMB) recently released its quarterly review, which provides an update on how actual state revenue compares to projections made earlier in the year. Following the trend that was announced in February (the projected state surplus fell by \$200 million), MMB is reporting that state revenue has fallen \$11 million short of projections made under two

months ago. MMB cited lower-than-expected revenue from individual income tax as the main culprit for the shortfall. The overall revenue loss was bolstered by corporate tax payments exceeding expectations, but the state budget continues to experience a shortfall from projections made earlier in the year. This economic news has already served to make legislators cautious with spending, and this news will surely further that narrative throughout the rest of the legislative session.

Road to the 2016 Elections

Rep. Yvonne Selcer (DFL-Minnetonka) has added her name to the list of legislators not running for reelection to the Minnesota legislature, becoming the 25th member of the House or Senate to make such an announcement. Currently serving her second term, Rep. Selcer has enjoyed narrow victories in her past two elections, winning by 202 votes in 2012 and only 41 votes in 2014. This indicates that this will be a hotly contested race leading into November for both House caucuses.



Memorandum

DATE:

April 19, 2016

TO:

Mayor and City Council Anne Norris, City Manager

FROM:

Charles Hansen, Finance Director

SUBJECT: First Quarter 2016 Financial Reports.

General Fund: Revenues collected are about what we should expect for the first quarter with many showing a one month time lag in collections or a seasonal variation. Housing Inspection revenue is already at 43.9% of budget due to collection of annual housing rental licenses in the first quarter. Charges - General Government is already at 47.8% of budget due to an unusual Sewer Availability Charge transaction related to the new Robbinsdale School District facility. Community Center is already at 33.1% of above budget due to higher room rentals. Investment income is already at 70% of the annual budget due to a positive change in fair market value. I don't expect investment income to be above budget for the full year. Miscellaneous revenues are at 50.7% of budget due to the return of assets from Project Peace.

Two departments have spent more than 25% of its budget. Many departments are short of 25% spent due to seasonal variations in their spending and the normal time lag involved in billing. City Council is over 25% due to payment of annual dues to several organizations the City belongs to. Fire Department is over 25% because the April invoice was paid on March 30th and so it shows up in the first guarter.

Note repayments are at 100% of budget because the final payment on the note has been received. One lot at 3533 Lee Avenue N was sold for \$40,000. No land was purchased. Investment income is already at 73.7% of the annual above budget due to a positive change in fair market value.

Street Reconstruction Fund: Final payment was made for the construction of Phase 14 and engineering work was done for Phase 15. Investment income is already at 81.3% of the budget due to a positive change in fair market value.

Utility Funds: Expenditures in the Sewer Fund were over 25% because the April monthly payment to Metro Council Environmental Services was due prior to the first of the month. Expenditures were over 25% of budget in the Storm Drainage fund due to payment of annual dues in the first quarter. Investment income is above 25% of budget in several funds due to a positive change in fair market value and more cash available for investment than had been estimated in the budget.

CITY OF CRYSTAL GENERAL FUND - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| | 2016 | March | | Per Cent |
|---|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Annual | 2016 | Budget | Collected |
| REVENUES | Budget | Y.T.D. | Balance | /Used |
| Property Taxes | \$8,027,940 | | -\$8,027,940 | 0.00/ |
| Special Assess | 109,200 | | -109,200 | 0.0% 0.0% |
| Licenses | 156,980 | 40,272 | -109,200 | 25.7% |
| Permits | 426,700 | 82,279 | -344,421 | 19.3% |
| Housing Inspections | 259,000 | 113,765 | -145,235 | 43.9% |
| Fed. Intergovernmental | 16,000 | 1,865 | -14,135 | 11.7% |
| State Intergovernmental | 1,949,609 | 60,300 | -1,889,309 | 3.1% |
| Charges - Gen. Govt. | 115,732 | 55,296 | -60,436 | 47.8% |
| Charges - Recreation | 221,280 | 60,851 | -160,429 | 27.5% |
| Charges - Recreation Charges - Comm. Ctr. | 100,750 | 33,341 | -100,429 | 33.1% |
| Charges - Pool | 185,000 | 13,218 | -171,782 | 7.1% |
| Charges - Public Safety | 134,400 | 18,812 | -115,588 | 14.0% |
| Fines & Forfeitures | 351,400 | 47,544 | -303,856 | 13.5% |
| Investment Earnings | 60,000 | 42,176 | -17,824 | 70.3% |
| Miscellaneous | 19,600 | 9,933 | -9,667 | 50.7% |
| Interfund Services | 343,286 | 85,822 | -257,464 | 25.0% |
| Total Revenues | \$12,476,877 | | -\$11,811,403 | 5.3% |
| <u>EXPENDITURES</u> | | | | |
| Salaries & Wages | \$6,194,837 | \$1,294,940 | \$4,899,897 | 20.9% |
| Employee Benefits | 2,368,216 | 553,905 | 1,814,311 | 23.4% |
| Professional Services | 1,784,127 | 400,052 | 1,384,075 | 22.4% |
| Contractual Services | 654,390 | 114,186 | 540,204 | 17.4% |
| Utilities | 284,200 | 46,761 | 237,439 | 16.5% |
| Repair & Maintenance | 221,187 | 75,232 | 145,955 | 34.0% |
| Rentals | 35,725 | 2,416 | 33,309 | 6.8% |
| Supplies | 489,225 | 57,553 | 431,672 | 11.8% |
| Communications | 110,070 | 18,384 | 91,686 | 16.7% |
| Printing & Advertising | 54,125 | 16,383 | 37,742 | 30.3% |
| Insurance | 138,690 | 34,672 | 104,018 | 25.0% |
| Training, Dues & Licenses | 142,085 | 48,841 | 93,244 | 34.4% |
| Total Expenditures | \$12,476,877 | \$2,663,325 | \$9,813,552 | 21.3% |
| | | | | |
| Revenues minus Expenditures | \$0 | -\$1,997,851 | | |
| Fund Balance, Dec. 31, 2015 | \$7,192,925 | \$7,192,925 | | |
| Fund Balance, end of period | \$7,192,925 | \$5,195,074 | | |

CITY OF CRYSTAL GENERAL FUND - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| | 2016 | March | | Per Cent |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| | Annual | 2016 | Budget | Collected |
| | Budget | Y.T.D. | Balance | /Used |
| <u>DEPARTMENTS</u> | | | | |
| Mayor and Council | \$139,178 | \$35,791 | \$103,387 | 25.7% |
| Administration | 1,177,779 | 278,390 | 899,389 | 23.6% |
| Human Resources | 53,082 | 10,260 | 42,822 | 19.3% |
| Assessing | 237,122 | 17,073 | 220,049 | 7.2% |
| Legal | 97,000 | 9,164 | 87,836 | 9.4% |
| Elections | 79,539 | 10,549 | 68,990 | 13.3% |
| Finance | 561,279 | 118,626 | 442,653 | 21.1% |
| Police | 4,586,881 | 1,018,686 | 3,568,195 | 22.2% |
| Fire | 1,229,697 | 340,098 | 889,599 | 27.7% |
| Planning & Code Enforcemt | 91,722 | 20,784 | 70,938 | 22.7% |
| Building Inspections | 253,175 | 43,032 | 210,143 | 17.0% |
| Housing Inspections | 182,849 | 41,558 | 141,291 | 22.7% |
| Health | 13,643 | 1,511 | 12,132 | 11.1% |
| Engineering | 375,442 | 82,540 | 292,902 | 22.0% |
| Street Maintenance | 970,311 | 179,658 | 790,653 | 18.5% |
| Park Maintenance | 795,059 | 143,712 | 651,347 | 18.1% |
| Forestry | 56,100 | 3,404 | 52,696 | 6.1% |
| City Buildings | 172,077 | 40,435 | 131,642 | 23.5% |
| Recreation | 740,064 | 174,736 | 565,328 | 23.6% |
| Community Center | 410,900 | 85,166 | 325,734 | 20.7% |
| Waterslide/Swimming Pool | 253,978 | 8,152 | 245,826 | 3.2% |
| Total Expenditures | \$12,476,877 | \$2,663,325 | \$9,813,552 | 21.3% |

CITY OF CRYSTAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FUND QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| | 2016 Annual Budget | March 2016 Y.T.D. | Budget Balance | Per Cent Collected /Used |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| REVENUES | | | | |
| Property Taxes | \$246,200 | | -\$246,200 | 0.0% |
| Charges - Gen. Govt. | 15,700 | | -15,700 | 0.0% |
| Note Repayments | 15,732 | 15,732 | 0 | 100.0% |
| Sale of Land | 140,000 | 40,000 | -100,000 | 28.6% |
| Investment Earnings | 32,393 | 23,861 | -8,532 | 73.7% |
| Transfers in from other funds | 1,800 | | -1,800 | 0.0% |
| Total Revenues | \$451,825 | \$79,593 | -\$372,232 | 17.6% |
| EXPENDITURES | 0475 500 | 000740 | 4400.000 | 22.224 |
| Salaries & Wages | \$175,538 | \$36,718 | \$138,820 | 20.9% |
| Employee Benefits | 53,445 | 11,579 | 41,866 | 21.7% |
| Professional Services | 36,900 | 45 | 36,855 | 0.1% |
| Contractual Services | 56,200 | 22,167 | 34,033 | 39.4% |
| Utilities | 5,600 | | 5,600 | 0.0% |
| Supplies | 200 | | 200 | 0.0% |
| Communications | 650 | 154 | 496 | 23.7% |
| Printing & Advertising | 900 | 251 | 649 | 27.9% |
| Insurance | 504 | 126 | 378 | 25.0% |
| Training, Dues & Taxes | 17,100 | 141 | 16,959 | 0.8% |
| Capital Outlay | 110,000 | | 110,000 | 0.0% |
| Total Expenditures | \$457,037 | \$71,181 | \$385,856 | 15.6% |
| Net of Revenues Minus | | | | |
| Expenditures | -\$5,212 | \$8,412 | | |
| Fund Balance, Dec. 31, 2015 | \$4,247,836 | \$4,247,836 | | |
| Fund Balance, end of period | \$4,242,624 | \$4,256,248 | | |

CITY OF CRYSTAL STREET RECONSTRUCTION FUND - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| | 2016 Annual Budget | March 2016 Y.T.D. | Budget Balance | Per Cent Collected /Used |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| REVENUES | 43 | | | |
| Special Assessments | \$1,434,103 | \$10,961 | -\$1,423,142 | 0.8% |
| Intergovernmental - State | 600,000 | 638,337 | 38,337 | 106.4% |
| Investment Earnings | 19,200 | 15,611 | -3,589 | 81.3% |
| Miscellaneous | 237,831 | | -237,831 | 0.0% |
| Sale of Bonds | 3,280,306 | #664 000 | -3,280,306 #4,000,504 | 0.0% |
| Total Revenues _ | \$5,571,440 | \$664,909 | -\$4,906,531 | 11.9% |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | |
| Professional Services | \$781,793 | \$132,530 | \$649,263 | 17.0% |
| Contractual Services | 5,452,767 | 32,830 | 5,419,937 | 0.6% |
| Supplies | 200 | 78 | 122 | 39.0% |
| Printing & Advertising | 400 | 323 | 77 | 80.8% |
| Debt issuance Costs | 64,320 | | 64,320 | 0.0% |
| Interfund Services Used | 12,000 | 2,600 | 9,400 | 21.7% |
| Total Expenditures | \$6,311,480 | \$168,361 | \$6,143,119 | 2.7% |
| Net of Revenues Minus Expenditures | -\$740,040 | \$496,548 | | |
| Fund Balance, Dec. 31, 2015 | \$2,074,645 | \$2,074,645 | | |
| Fund Balance, end of period | \$1,334,605 | \$2,571,193 | | |
| EXPENDITURE DETAIL BY PROJ | JECT | | | |
| | | March | Project | |
| | Project | 2016 | to Date | |
| _ | Budget | Y.T.D. | Expended | |
| Reconst Fund Administration | 1,900 | \$0 | | |
| Phase 13 Becker | 6,676,732 | 0 | 5,769,798 | |
| Phase 14 Lions Park | 5,464,854 | 28,565 | 5,119,033 | |
| Phase 15 Twin Oaks | 6,383,243 | 126,591 | 373,404 | |
| Phase 15 MCES forcemain | 936,750 | 13,205 | 13,205 | |
| Phase 16 Skyway | 25,000 | 0 | 10,635 | |
| | \$19,488,479 | \$168,361 | \$27,004,102 | |

CITY OF CRYSTAL UTILITY FUNDS - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| | 2016 | March | | Per cent |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| | Annual | 2016 | Budget | Collected |
| | Budget | Y.T.D. | Balance | /Used |
| WATER FUND | | | | |
| REVENUES | | | | |
| Water Charges | \$3,367,120 | \$638,938 | -\$2,728,182 | 19.0% |
| Special Assess | 55,000 | | -55,000 | 0.0% |
| Investment Earnings | 15,000 | 2,173 | -12,827 | 14.5% |
| Miscellaneous | 224,000 | 43,364 | -180,636 | 19.4% |
| Total Revenues | \$3,661,120 | \$684,475 | -\$2,976,645 | 18.7% |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | |
| Operating Expenses | \$3,053,140 | \$602,463 | \$2,450,677 | 19.7% |
| Gen Fd Admin Reimb | 139,278 | 34,819 | 104,459 | 25.0% |
| Total Expenditures | \$3,192,418 | \$637,282 | \$2,555,136 | 20.0% |
| Net of Revenues Minus | | | | |
| Expenditures | \$468,702 | \$47,193 | | |
| Cash & Invest., Dec. 31, 2015 | \$427,290 | \$427,290 | | |
| Cash & Invest., end of period | \$895,992 | \$474,483 | | |
| SEWER FUND REVENUES | | | | |
| Sewer Charges | \$2,161,700 | \$549,765 | -\$1,611,935 | 25.4% |
| Investment Earnings | 33,400 | 16,880 | -16,520 | 50.5% |
| Miscellaneous | 3,000 | , | -3,000 | 0.0% |
| Total Revenues | \$2,198,100 | \$566,645 | -\$1,631,455 | 25.8% |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | |
| Operating Expenses | \$2,071,538 | \$703,676 | \$1,367,862 | 34.0% |
| Gen Fd Admin Reimb | 139,278 | 34,819 | 104,459 | 25.0% |
| Total Expenditures | \$2,210,816 | \$738,495 | \$1,472,321 | 33.4% |
| Total Experiatures | Ψ2,210,010 | Ψ1 30,433 | Ψ1,472,321 | 33.4 /0 |
| Net of Revenues Minus | | | | |
| Expenditures | -\$12,716 | -\$171,850 | | |
| Cash & Invest., Dec. 31, 2015 | \$2,748,774 | \$2,748,774 | | |
| Cash & Invest., end of period | \$2,736,058 | \$2,576,924 | | |
| | | | | |

CITY OF CRYSTAL UTILITY FUNDS - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| | 2016 | March | Declarat | Per Cent |
|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | Annual | 2016 Y.T.D. | Budget Balance | Collected /Used |
| STORM DRAINAGE FUND | Budget | 1.1.0. | Dalance | 70560 |
| REVENUES | | | | |
| Storm Drainage Charges | \$888,030 | \$221,167 | -\$666,863 | 24.9% |
| Investment Earnings | 4,515 | 2,957 | -1,558 | 65.5% |
| Transfers In | 150,000 | _, _, | 150,000 | 0.0% |
| Total Revenues | \$1,042,545 | \$224,124 | -\$518,421 | 21.5% |
| | | | . , , | |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | |
| Operating Expenses | \$679,160 | \$184,829 | \$494,331 | 27.2% |
| Gen Fd Admin Reimb | 37,478 | 9,369 | 28,109 | 25.0% |
| Transfers Out | 60,000 | 0 | 60,000 | 0.0% |
| Total Expenditures | \$776,638 | \$194,198 | \$582,440 | 25.0% |
| | | | | |
| Net of Revenues Minus | | | | |
| Expenditures | \$265,907 | \$29,926 | | |
| | | | | |
| Cash & Invest., Dec. 31, 2015 | \$431,296 | \$431,296 | | |
| Cash & Invest., end of period | \$697,203 | \$461,222 | | |
| 1 | | | | |
| | | | | |
| STREET LIGHT FUND | | | | |
| <u>REVENUES</u> | | | | |
| Street Light Charges | \$189,740 | \$48,125 | -\$141,615 | 25.4% |
| Investment Earnings | 9,400 | 2,867 | -6,533 | 30.5% |
| Total Revenues | \$199,140 | \$50,992 | -\$148,148 | 25.6% |
| EVENDENDE | | | | |
| EXPENDITURES | 0407.074 | * | 0454440 | 4= =0/ |
| Operating Expenses | \$187,271 | \$32,825 | \$154,446 | 17.5% |
| Gen Fd Admin Reimb | 10,588 | 2,647 | 7,941 | 25.0% |
| Transfers Out | 150,000 | #22.00F | 150,000 | 0.0% |
| Total Expenditures | \$347,859 | \$32,825 | \$312,387 | 9.4% |
| Net of Revenues Minus | | | | |
| Expenditures | -\$148,719 | \$18,167 | | |
| Experiences | -φ110,710 | Ψ10,107 | | |
| Cash & Invest., Dec. 31, 2015 | \$438,034 | \$438,034 | | |
| | | | | |
| Cash & Invest., end of period | \$289,315 | \$456,201 | | |

CITY OF CRYSTAL UTILITY FUNDS - QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

| ¥T | 2016 | March | | Per Cent |
|-------------------------------|---|-----------|------------|-----------|
| * | Annual | 2016 | Budget | Collected |
| | Budget | Y.T.D. | Balance | /Used |
| RECYCLING FUND | *************************************** | | | |
| REVENUES | | | | |
| Recycling Charges | \$334,580 | \$83,664 | -\$250,916 | 25.0% |
| Investment Earnings | 750 | 671 | -79 | 89.5% |
| Total Revenues | \$335,330 | \$84,335 | -\$250,995 | 25.1% |
| | | | | |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | |
| Operating Expenses | \$328,276 | \$81,115 | \$247,161 | 24.7% |
| Gen Fd Admin Reimb | 6,264 | 1,566 | 4,698 | 25.0% |
| Total Expenditures | \$334,540 | \$82,681 | \$251,859 | 24.7% |
| Net of Revenues Minus | | | | |
| Expenditures | \$790 | \$1,654 | | |
| | | | | |
| Cash & Invest., Dec. 31, 2015 | \$108,046 | \$108,046 | | |
| | <u> </u> | | | |
| Cash & Invest., end of period | \$108,836 | \$109,700 | | |



Memorandum

DATE:

April 20, 2016

TO:

Mayor and City Council

Anne Norris, City Manager

FROM:

Charles Hansen, Finance Director

SUBJECT: First Quarter 2016 Report of Investment Results

Investment Results for the Quarter

The City of Crystal's investment portfolio recorded investment income of \$255,689 during the quarter, which is a 2.7% rate of return. However, if you take out the market value gain, the rate of return is only 1.1%.

Market interest rates declined during the quarter, which increased the resale value of the portfolio. This increase in resale value is known as a market value gain and accounted for \$152,301 of the \$255,689 interest earnings for the quarter.

Future Expectations

Current interest rates are still low by historical standards. Predictions that interest rates are about to start rising have been common for several years, but haven't materialized. Return to normal interest rates may still be some time in coming.

Purchases of Securities

No securities were purchased in the first quarter. Relatively few of our securities are maturing in the first half of 2016 and I need to maintain enough cash to pay for ongoing operations.

Attachments

Attached are the portfolio performance measures, cash on hand and investment register reports as of March 31, 2016.

CITY OF CRYSTAL

Investment Trust Fund

Portfolio Performance Measures as of March 31, 2016

| | | <u>Investment Maturities (in Years)</u> | | | 8 | |
|---|----------|---|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|
| | | | | | 2018 | 2020 |
| | Percent | Market | | | through | through |
| Investment Type | of Total | <u>Value</u> | 2016 | 2017 | 2019 | <u>2021</u> |
| Money Market Accounts | 6.94% | 2,593,086 | 2,593,086 | | | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 69.74% | 26,058,785 | 9,564,852 | 10,803,410 | 5,189,661 | 500,862 |
| Federal National Mortgage Assoc | 1.87% | 700,389 | | 500,270 | 200,119 | |
| State & Local Government Bonds | 21.44% | 8,010,947 | 3,581,150 | 2,811,492 | 1,618,305 | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | 37,363,207 | 15,739,088 | 14,115,172 | 7,008,085 | 500,862 |
| 3. | | | | | | |
| Percent of Total | | | 42.12% | 37.78% | 18.76% | 1.34% |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | 4.40 | 0.4 | | |
| Average Yield (before any change in market value) | | | 1.10 % | | | |
| Weighted Average Duration to Call Date | | | 1.18 | Years | | |
| Weighted Average Duration to Maturity Date | | | 1.23 | Years | | |
| | | | | | | |

| | Security Ca | Security Call Date | | Security Maturity Date | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------|--|------------------------|--|--|
| | Amortized | Percent | Amortized | Percent | | |
| Maturities by Year | Cost | of Total | Cost | of Total | | |
| Money Market Accounts | 2,593,086 | 6.9% | 2,593,086 | 6.9% | | |
| 2016 | 13,846,391 | 37.1% | 13,146,002 | 35.2% | | |
| 2017 | 13,614,902 | 36.4% | 14,115,172 | 37.8% | | |
| 2018 | 4,822,600 | 12.9% | 4,822,600 | 12.9% | | |
| 2019 | 1,985,366 | 5.3% | 2,185,485 | 5.8% | | |
| 2020 | 250,148 | 0.7% | 250,148 | 0.7% | | |
| 2021 | 250,714 | 0.7% | 250,714 | 0.7% | | |
| | 37,363,207 | 100.00% | 37,363,207 | 100.00% | | |
| | - | | 7. ************************************ | | | |

City of Crystal Cash & Investments by Fund On Hand As of March 31, 2016

| Fund Name General Fund | 12/31/2015 Cash & Invest 7,534,269.30 | 3/31/2016 <u>Cash & Invest</u> 5,194,891.46 |
|--|---|---|
| Anthony Shopping Center TIF 2151 Suburban Motel TIF 2154 Lamplighter (LaNel) TIF 2155 EDA City Initiatives Special Projects | 279,912.07 1,734.67 1,419,844.15 3,656,695.33 54,997.29 35,742.49 | 231,908.31 1,058.88 1,352,367.89 3,638,831.00 74,281.49 17,765.70 |
| Bonds 2005A Bonds 2005B Bonds 2006A Bonds 2008A Bonds 2009A Bonds 2010A/B Bonds 2011A Bonds 2012A Bonds 2013A Bonds 2015A | 532,939.08 296,476.02 785,339.45 732,150.11 1,274,690.91 514,094.50 556,211.64 690,191.83 750,978.06 70,243.65 | 431,103.19 108,944.21 648,602.47 569,409.49 1,051,466.27 727,767.53 419,573.78 484,567.59 473,027.97 67,078.10 |
| Cable TV Equipment Permanent Improvement Revolving (PIR) Major Building Replacement Police Equipment Revolving Fire Equipment Revolving Street Maintenance Street Reconstruction | 33,092.03 8,517,724.81 3,117,685.18 647,759.67 1,418,356.80 2,241,591.49 | 43,901.19 8,111,761.44 -592,438.23 3,042,577.25 648,634.88 1,426,001.42 2,652,352.32 |
| Water Sewer Storm Water Street Lights Recycling | 427,290.15 2,748,774.44 431,296.29 438,033.86 108,046.49 | 294,767.70 2,506,053.77 522,468.65 451,267.03 104,215.34 |
| Self Insurance Hennepin Recycling Group | 990,809.24 1,922,782.37 | 838,923.37 1,987,501.54 |
| | 42,229,753.37 | 37,530,633.00 |

This report includes cash in the checking account. That cause the totals on this report to not match the Portfolio Performance Measures Report or the Investment Register Report.

City of Crystal Investment Trust Fund Investment Register as of March 31, 2016

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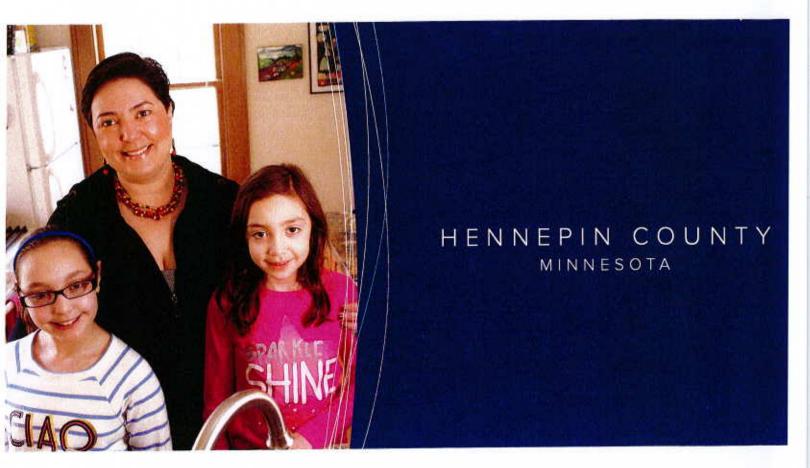
| | Interest | Received | 617.53 | 114.45 | 1,049.81 | 75.000 | 270.50 | 200 | 249.70 | 131250 | 58010 | 312.12 | 305.41 | 205 30 | 555.78 | | | | | 274.88 | 427.58 | | | 366.49 | 305.4 | 366.40 | 366.40 | | 366.49 | 519.20 | 397.03 | 366.49 | 610.82 | 3,281,25 | 6,605,00 | 1,250,19 | 2,470,14 | 1,049,81 | 1,049.81 | 1,049.81 | 305,41 | 20000000 | 519.20 | 510.50 | | 366.49 | 610.82 | 000000 | 671.90 | 007 61 | 200 | | | | 20000000 | 417.5% | | 477 58 | | 549.73 | | 488.67 | 397.03 |
|-----------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|
| | | Par Value | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 243.000 | 345,000 | 245 000 | 245.000 | 140.000 | 245 000. | 245.000 | 245 000 | 245 000 | 245,000 | | 225,000 | 130,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,0(X) | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 250,000 | 500,000 | 248,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 345,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245.000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 400,000 | 50,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245 000 | 510,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 | 245,000 |
| Media | Jue Gain / | (F028) | r i | , | | 100 | O? | | | (0) | | ((* | , | 100 | (00) | | (1,301) | (129) | 10 | + | × | (29) | - | P : | 25. | ŝi i | 96 | ×. | 80 | 202 | Ľ. | 601 | 360 | (359) | 2,850 | 396 | 1,262 | 274 | 274 | 284 | (81) | (06) | Z. | 202 | (101) | 275 | 894 | 11 | 126 | 221 | (133) | 3,412 | 2,159 | 216 | m i | 308 | (4) | (61) | 836 | 410 | Ş | 113 | 78 |
| | Estimated Value Gain/ | Market Value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 725,000 | 130,000 | 245,010 | 245,004 | 245,056 | 244,971 | 245,071 | 245,035 | 245,019 | 245,059 | 245,059 | 245,081 | 245,058 | 245,202 | 245,072 | 245,109 | 245,360 | 251,675 | 503,375 | 248,396 | 246,262 | 245,274 | 245,274 | 245,284 | 244,919 | 244,910 | 245,294 | 245,U56 | 244,890 | 245,275 | 245,488 | 245,211 | 244,000 | 744,660 | 244,867 | 507,060 | 502,875 | 400,216 | 30,113 | 245,303 | 744 987 | 244 990 | 510,836 | 245,410 | 245,443 | 245,225 | 245,028 |
| 010711010 | Discount Ending Balance, at | 1500 | 000 | 9000 | 0000 | 9000 | 8 8 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 00'0 | 00'0 | 00'0 | 00-0 | 0.00 | 00.0 | 10000000000000000000000000000000000000 | 726,300.57 | 130,128,63 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 252,034,17 | 500,524.58 | 248,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 345 000 00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245 000 00 | 245,000.00 | 503,647.99 | 500,716.50 | 400,000,00 | 50,090,19 | 245,000.00 | 245 000 00 | 245,000,00 | 510,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 |
| (Premium) | Discount E | Amortization | | | | | | | | (106.01) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 245 000 00 | 245 000 00 | 245 000 00 | 245,000,00 | 245 000 00 | 245 000 00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000.00 | 140,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | rurchises | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Beginning Palance of cost | 245 (Y)() (X) | 245 000 00 | 245 000 00 | 245 000 00 | 245 000 00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 140,096.01 | 245,000.00 | 243,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245 000 (x) | 245,000,00 | mark and an | 726,300,37 | 130,126.03 | 242,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 243,000,00 | 0000000000 | 245 000 00 | 00,000,045 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,000 | 252,034,17 | 500,524,58 | 248,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 503.647.99 | 500,716.50 | 400,000.00 | 20,090,19 | 245,000,00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 510,000,00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000.00 | 245,000,00 | 245,000.00 |
| | | 0.500% | | 0.850% | 0.800% | 0.65078 | 0.650% | 0.300% | 0.600% | 1.450% | 0.500% | 0.500% | 0.500% | 0.450% | 0.450% | 4,000,00 | 0.9000% | 0.05070 | 20000 | 0,450% | 0.700% | 0.05000 | 0.00000 | O COURS | 0.20030 | O COUNTY | U.SOUTH | 0.00000 | 0.0000 | CLESCOS | COSCO | COOCU. | 1,000% | 1,200% | 2450% | 1,000% | 2,000% | 0.850% | 0.850% | 0.850% | 0.5005% | COUNTS. | 0.700% | 0.850% | 0,650% | 0,600% | 5,000 | 0.650% | 0.70095 | 0.659% | 0.700% | 2.650% | 1,600% | 0.750% | Category | 0.6400 | 0.650% | 0.700% | 1.125% | 0.900% | 1,000% | 0.800% | 0.0507% |
| | Coupon | 0.500% | 0.550% | 0.850% | 0.800% | 0.650% | 0.650% | 0.800% | 0,600% | 1.875% | 0,500% | 0.500% | 0.500% | 0.450% | 0.450% | 10000 | 1025% | 0.4400 | 0.550% | 0.450% | 0.700% | 0.023076 | 0.0000 | 0.40000 | 200000 | D COOK | 0.00074 | 0.50000 | 0.000% | 0.830% | 0.050% | 1 Annual | 2,000% | 2,62376 | 200年9月 | 1,000% | 2,000% | 0.850% | 0.850% | 0.850% | 0.500% | 0.00076 | 0.700% | 0.850% | 0.650% | 0.600% | 1.000% | 0.050% | 0.70000 | 0.650% | 0.700% | 3,700% | 1,799% | 0.750% | 1,000,00 | 0.70076 | 0.650% | 0.700% | 1,125% | 1600610 | 1,000% | 0.800% | 0.05079 |
| | | N/A | NA | NOV | NIA | NIA | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N.S. | N/A | ×2 | Y Z | N/A | 2000 | 2 | 2 | S T | 4 | 2 | | | N/A | | 400 | Y | VIV. | A N | N.A | 4 | 100 | NA | CONT | Ž. | 4 | ×Z | × × | K Z | NA | Y I | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. | ×X | N/A | N/A | Y'N | C 7/2 | N/N | NA | MWC | MWC | NA. | | N/A | < ₹ ≥ | V.N | ¥.Z | N/A | V.V | Y. | K.N |
| | Next Call | 01/25/16 | 01/25/16 | 02/09/16 | 34/50/50 | 200000 | 02/25/16 | 02/26/16 | 02/29/16 | 03/01/16 | 83/94/16 | 03/07/16 | 03/15/16 | 03/21/16 | 03/28/16 | Section (1) | 04/01/16 | 04/01/10 | OF TANKS | OFFICE | Contractor | 02/15/10 | OR STATE OF | 04011016 | Decision of | De richte | DENTAL | OF POST | 00/20/10 | 06/30/16 | 07/18/10 | 21/16/10 | 01/12/110 | 03/31/16 | 08/01/16 | 08/09/16 | 08/12/16 | 08/15/16 | 08/15/16 | 08/22/16 | 01/87/90 | 01/06/90 | 01/05/90 | 91/90/60 | 09/16/16 | 91/61/60 | 09/20/16 | 09/23/16 | 01/27/10 | 09523/16 | 91/06/60 | 03/31/16 | 91715/50 | 10/01/16 | 10004016 | 11/10/16 | 11/10/16 | 11/16/16 | 12/01/16 | 61791/21 | 12/19/16 | 01/22/17 | 01/25/17 |
| | Original | 01/25/16 | 01/29/16 | 02/09/16 | 02/22/16 | 02/22/16 | 00/25/16 | 02/26/16 | 91/62/20 | 03/01/16 | 03/04/16 | 03/07/16 | 03/15/16 | 03/21/16 | 03/23/16 | NAME AND | DAMPING A | OATTE TO | 04/12/10 | 200000 | 05/03/10 | akracuk akracuk | 000000 | 05/31/16 | or incide | OCCUPACIO | octorio octorio | OLANIA DE | 00/29/10 | ON SWith | ON INCIDENT | 00,000 | 03/23/00 | 08/07/16 | 91/10/80 | 08029/16 | (W/12/36 | 08/15/16 | 08/13/16 | 08/22/16 | 00/28/10 | 01/05/00 | UNI NOVI 10 | 91/90/60 | 01/91/60 | 91/61/60 | 09/20/16 | 00/23/10 | 01/22/100 | 0923/16 | 09/30/16 | 04/01/11 | 11/07/11 | 10/01/16 | 10/13/10 | 10/24/10 | 11/10/16 | 91/91/11 | 12/01/16 | 12/19/16 | 12/10/16 | 01/1W17 | 11(23)17 |
| | Manuely | 01/25/16 | 01/29/16 | 02/09/16 | 02/22/16 | 42/23/16 | 02/25/16 | 02/26/16 | 02/29/16 | 03/01/16 | 03/04/16 | 03/02/16 | 03/15/16 | 03/21/16 | (13/2K/16 | Section of | 01711000 | 04/15/16 | 04/13/10 | OF TAKES | 02/00/00/00 | OK TALLEY | OR PRINCE | 21/18/50 | 21/01/20 | 01/01/00 | 01/01/00 | 00/10/10 | 007000 | Unitario de | 07/18/10 | 01/01/01/0 | 0002000 | 08/01/16 | 0801/16 | 08/09/10 | 08/12/16 | 01/21/16 | 08/15/16 | 08/22/16 | DOCUMENTO. | 01/00/90 | OR/TOTAL | 909060 | 607160 | 09/19/16 | 91/02/60 | 09/23/16 | 01/11/10 | 09/23/16 | 91/00/00 | 10/01/16 | 10/01/16 | 10/01/16 | 10/24/16 | 01/45/01 | 11/10/16 | 11/16/16 | 12/01/16 | 1279/16 | 12/19/16 | 517577 | United and |
| | Purchase | 07/25/14 | 01/29/14 | 61/60/80 | 08/21/13 | 08/22/14 | 08/25/14 | 08/28/13 | 11/01/13 | 12/08/11 | 90/04/14 | 09005/14 | 03/15/13 | 63/19/14 | 03/26/14 | *100000 | 21/20/80 | 04/15/14 | 11/21/10 | 00000000 | 1900013 | 11077 | 19/20/4 | 05/20/13 | - FUUDEA | 02010014 | 12/10/14 | 41/01/21 | CONTRACTO | 12/30/13 | 12/20/14 | 07/27/13 | DATE OF THE | 10/31/12 | 07/11/11 | 61/60/90 | 08/12/11 | 08/14/13 | 08/14/13 | 08/20/14 | 11/20/15 | 51/05/11 | 12/30/15 | 09/05/13 | 12/16/15 | 06/318/14 | 09/20/13 | 12/23/14 | 1203/15 | 12/23/14 | 13/30/15 | 02/09/11 | 10/26/11 | 08/07/12 | 67/53/14 | 21/12/10 | 11/12/13 | 11/16/15 | 109/25/12 | 12/17/14 | 1207/14 | 11/22/05 | 11/23/17 |
| | Brkr | WFS | WFS | WFS | WFS | WES | WFS | WFS | WFS | WFS | WES | WFS | WFS | WES | WFS | 0.000 | WES | 1000 | 0.000 | WES | WES | M/DE | WEE | WES | dans | dans. | Can | 200 | 0 44 | Wes | WES | are a | 8000 | KBC | WES | KBC | WES | WF S | WES | WFS | 2 1 | WE'S | WES | WF.5 | WFS | WFS | WFS | WFS | WPC | WFS | WFS | WFS | WFS | RHC | urec urec | WES | WFS | WFS | RBC | WFS | WFS | WFS | WES |
| | Type | Capital BK, Miami FL | Lake City Bank, Warsaw IND | GE Capital Retail, Draper UT (Synchrony BK) | Ally Bank, Midyale UT | Oriental B&T, San Juan PR | Investors Svgs BK, Short Hills NJ | Midland ST Bank, Effingham ILL | Citizens B&T, Chillicothe MO | Beloit W1 Bonds | First Bank, Highland Park III | Sona Birnk NA, Melean VA | First American Bank, Elk Grove ILL | Customers Bank, Phoenixville PA | Community Bank, Chesapeake MD | Stand Du Locality Subsect CO Boards | Portoce WI GO Bonds | Barelade Bark Delaurare | Day Cities Death, Desawale | Die fad Deal: Missei El | Deal Death White Target | Canital One Riv Glan Allan VA | Floridian Raph Dardons Beach FI | Comenity Bank Salt Lake City | Bank Phode Is Drouidence D1 | Brookline Bont, Mass | Conital One MA Malon MA | Capital Oile 10.5, Moteur v. | Disching Don! NIV | Marriel DV Se leader 175 | Trimash Book Monthly Th | Flushing Coning Roal: NV | Oreson State CO Bonds MMC + 68 | Oregon State GO Bonds, MWC + 68 | Strational Corn CAO Bonds | Great Southern, Reeds Springs Mo | State Bank of India, Chicago ILL | Crystal Lake B&T, Illinois | Lake Forest B&T, Illinois | Peoples UTD Bk, Bridgeport CT | Evergreen Bank, Oak Brook ILL | Bark Holland Michigan | First Book Richmond | Liberty Natl Bank, Ada Ohio | USAmeribank Largo FL | Tradition Cap Bank Edina MN | Farmers & Merchants Bank, Milford NE | Fidelity Bank, Atlanta GA | Pulled BK Selone MO | The Bankers Bank, Oklahoma | Safra Natl BK, New York | Fairfax Cty VA Bonds, make whole T+.35 | St of Mississippi Bonds, make whole T+.20 | W Lake Superior San Dist Tax GO | Form Burson Br. Crode MV | Rank Hangalim New Yord | Santander BK NA Delevere | United BK, Rockville CT | Lims OH GO Bonds | Mbank, Manistique Mich | Mercantile Commerce, Florida Independent BK, Memoris TN | Rankwest Pierre SD | חשואוויטין זי יייויט טויי |
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| | | Britz | Purchase | Manunity | Original | Next Call | Ē | Coupon | Inferest | Beginning | | | (Premium) /Discount | Premium) /Discount Ending Balance, at | Marke Estimated Value Gam | Market /ulue Gam/ | | Interest |
| Type | Type | | Date | Date | Call Date | Date | Date Frequency | Rate | Yield | Balance, at cost | Purchases | Maturities | Amortization | tens | Market Value | (Loss) | Par Value | Received |
| CD | Key Bank NA Ohio | WFS | 11/12/15 | 11713718 | 11/13/18 | 11/13/18 | N/A | 1,300% | 1380% | 245,000.00 | 0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000 | | | 245,000,00 | 247,541 | 2,541 | 245,000 | - |
| MB | Racine, WI GO | RBC | 07/13/12 | 12/01/18 | 12/01/18 | 12/01/18 | N/A | 1.650% | 1,500% | 336,378,21 | | | | 336,378.21 | 336,826 | 448 | 335,000 | |
| 9 | Webster BK, Waterbuty Conn. | WFS | 12/16/15 | 12/17/18 | 12/17/18 | 12/17/18 | N/A | 1,400% | 1,400% | 245,000.00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 247,119 | 2,119 | 245,000 | |
| 8 | Sussex BK, Franklin NJ | WFS | 12/23/15 | 02/22/19 | 02/22/19 | 02/22/19 | N/A | 1.500% | 1,500% | 245,000.00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 245,904 | #95 8 | 245,000 | |
| 00 | Investors Community BK | WFS | 12/29/15 | 02/28/19 | 02/28/19 | 02/28/19 | N/A | 1.500% | 1.500% | 245,000,00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 245,878 | 878 | 245,000 | 916.23 |
| 90 | Bridgewater BK, Blommington MN | WFS | 11/17/05 | 05/17/19 | 05/11/19 | 61/21/50 | N/A | 1,250% | 1.25cm | 245,000,00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 248,028 | 3,028 | 245,000 | 763.52 |
| 90 | Bankers BK of Kansus | WFS | 12/22/15 | 06/17/19 | 06/23/19 | 66/21/19 | N/A | 1,558% | 1.550% | 245,000,00 | | | | 245,000.00 | 247,881 | 2,881 | 245,000 | 946.78 |
| 93 | First Source Bk, South Bend IND | WFS | 12/16/15 | 93/31/00 | 08/16/19 | 61/91/60 | ××2 | 1.500% | 1,500% | 245,000,00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 248,157 | 3,137 | 245,000 | |
| FNMA | A FRMA | WFS | 10/23/13 | 10/17/19 | 04/17/14 | 04/17/16 | QTR | 1,500% | 2,110% | 195,678,98 | | | | 86'829'861 | 200,119 | 4,440 | 200,000 | |
| CD | Belmont Svgs Bank, Mass | WFS | 12/23/14 | 10/23/19 | 10/23/19 | 10/23/19 | NA | 1.850% | 1,350% | 245,000,00 | | | | 345,000.00 | 248,818 | 3,818 | 245,000 | |
| 0 | Bank Grove, OKLA | WFS | 10/25/13 | 10/25/19 | 10/25/19 | 10/25/19 | N/A | 2,000% | 2,000% | 245,000.00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 250,306 | 5,506 | 245,000 | |
| 8 | CIT Bank, Salt Lake City UT | WFS | 11/05/14 | 01/08/010 | 11/05/19 | 11/05/19 | ×× | 2.150% | 2150% | 245,000.00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 250,194 | 5,194 | 245,000 | |
| 8 | Celtic Bank | WFS | 11/21/14 | 11/20/20 | 11/20/20 | 11/20/20 | N/A | 2.100% | 2100% | 245,000.00 | | | | 245,000,00 | 250,148 | 5,148 | 245,000 | 1,282,72 |
| 8 | Enerbank, Salt Lake City UT | WFS | 10/16/15 | 10/18/21 | 10/18/21 | 10/18/21 | Z/A | 2.000% | 2.000% | 245,000,00 | | | | 345,000,00 | 250,714 | 5,714 | 245,000 | 1,221.64 |
| | | | | | | | | | , | 37,978,161,62 | 0000 | 3,325,000,00 | (10'96) | 34,653,065.61 | 34,770,121 | 117,055 | 34,628,000 | |
| | Wells Fargo COVT M MKT Wells Fargo Public Funds Savings Acct MN MUNCIPAL M MKT 4M Plus Money Market | | | | | | | 0.150% 0.020% 0.050% | 0.010% 0.150% 0.080% 0.150% | | | | , | 2,119,091,02 100,842,11 177,881,34 | 2,119,091 100,842 177,681 | | 2,119,091 100,842 177,681 195,471 | 55.26 37.71 152.03 105.13 |
| | DAILY INTEREST | Ц | 1,047 With MM | Without MM | | | | | | | | | Proof> | 37,246,151,35 37,246,151,35 | 37,363,207 | | 37,221,086 | 67,144,76 |
| | Average Yield | П | 1.026% | 1,100% | | | | 2016 Interest Received | Received | 67,144,76 | | Money Marl | Money Market Accounts | 2,593,085,74 | | | | |
| | Average Coupon | L | 958001 | 1179% | | | ñ ñ | 2016 Net (Prem)/Discount | d meres (Discount | (16.256.97) | | | Investments | 77,246,151,35 | | | | |
| | Current week AP batches | 82 | | 000 | | 2016 | Change in | 2016 Change in Market Value Gain (Loss) | 2016 Bank Fees | (2.051.97) | Current 2 Dec. 31, 2 | Current 2016 Market Value Gain/ (Loss) Dec. 31, 2015 Market Value Gain/ (Loss) | Gain/ (Loss) Gain/ (Loss) | H7.055.39 | | | | |
| | debt service wires 1/27/16 | | | | | | *** | 2016 Net Interest Income | si (noome | 255,689,50 | Chang | Change in Market Value Gain/ (Loss) | Gain/ (Loss) | 152,301.01 | | | | |



2015 Highlights

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Caring for our community

Health and social service support is key to reducing recidivism

200

Serving

residents

Referrals connected people in the criminal justice system to social services and health care

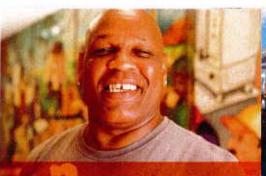


Protecting children and teens

More resources will keep kids safe and stabilize families

17,542

Child protection reports, increased from 15,516 in 2014



Fostering self-reliance

Revamped hiring practices position our workforce for the future

23.3

Percent of current county employees will be eligible for retirement in 2020



Moving forward on transit

Station area planning maximizes our regional investment in light rail transit

27

Plans prepare neighborhoods to thrive around new transit service



Carpentry training program restores lives — and reinvigorates communities

100

Low-risk inmates and people on probation help build new affordable housing and restore older homes

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The newly released April 2016 Revenue & Economic Update (Link to:

http://mn.gov/mmb/forecast/update/) reports only a modest \$11 million (0.5 percent) shortfall in expected state revenue collections for the months of February and March. But the recent revenue trends, including the lower forecasted surplus in the **February state budget forecast** (Link to: http://mm.gov/mmb/forecast/forecast/), are giving legislators pause as they develop their supplemental budget recommendations.

The concerns are also impacting discussions of the omnibus tax and transportation bills, which could, in turn, impact city legislative initiatives on transportation funding and local government aid.

According to the April update, released by Minnesota Management & Budget on April 11, the net \$11 million decline from forecasted collections includes individual income tax collections that were \$69 million, or 6.5 percent, below expected levels. However, that decline was partially offset by increases in collections of general sales taxes (+2 million/+0.3 percent), corporate franchise taxes (+\$42 million/+15.1 percent), and other revenues (+\$13 million/+3.7 percent).

Mixed signals on national front

The report also provides a brief update on the status of the state and national economy since the release of the February budget forecast. According to the report, the broad economic indicators are sending conflicting signals about the health of the economy.

On the positive side, the labor market continues to demonstrate solid performance with strong gains in the construction and service sectors. In addition, the report indicates that the number of job openings is near its highest point in 14 years, with more workers entering the labor force, and the unemployment rate has fallen to near eight-year lows.

On the negative side, recent economic data suggests that the economy is still encountering a number of persistent weaknesses. The latest gross domestic product (GDP) revisions confirm the U.S. economy finished 2015 on a weak note, with growth slowing to under 2 percent annual rate in the second half of 2015. More recent figures show manufacturing and foreign trade are still struggling in early 2016, due to the combination of a relatively strong U.S. dollar, weak global economic growth, and depressed energy prices.

Lowered state expectations

As a result of this updated economic information, the state's macroeconomic consultant has lowered its forecast of real GDP growth in the first quarter of 2016 to a 1.2 percent annual rate, down from the February forecast assumption of 2.4 percent growth. Although lower GDP growth suggests lower growth in state revenues due to reduced economic activity, the state's official budget forecast will not be updated until late November.

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Significant Changes to Federal Fair Labor Standards Act Coming



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Cities of every size will likely have some additional overtime costs next year if proposed changes to the **Fair Labor Standards Act** (Link to: http://www.dol.gov/whd/flsa/) (FLSA), the federal law governing overtime, are implemented as planned.

The proposed changes increase the required salary level for an employee to be considered exempt from overtime from the current \$455/week (\$23,660/year) to a projected \$970/week (\$50,440/year) in 2016. This means that unless the city pays an employee at the higher level, he or she will be eligible for overtime.

The Department of Labor (DOL), which is the federal agency in charge of rulemaking for the FLSA, is also proposing establishing a mechanism for updating salary threshold levels annually, which may include incorporating a fixed percentile of average wages or basing changes on inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U).

The proposed regulations are currently in the final stages of review. DOL Solicitor of Labor M. Patricia Smith has said the final rule could be published in or before July of 2016. She also said the rule will take effect at least 60 days after it's published.

Public-sector groups offer comments

The DOL received more than 250,000 comments on the proposed rule. A joint letter was submitted from 20 different public-sector associations, including the National League of Cities, the International City/County Management Association, the International Public Management Association for Human Resources, the National Public Employer Labor Relations Association, and the Government Finance Officers Association.

The groups expressed concerns with the "scale" of the proposed increases, which they say "threatens public-sector employees, the crucial functions they perform, and the operations of state and local governments, many of which are still recovering from the last recession."

Legislation to stop changes

While the rulemaking process has been marching on, it could be stopped in its tracks by the "Protecting Workplace Advancement and Opportunity Act" (S. 2707)

(Link to: https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/2707) and H.R. 4773 (Link to: https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/4773)).

The bill, assigned to a congressional committee on March 17, nullifies the proposed rule; requires the DOL to first conduct a comprehensive economic analysis on the impact of mandatory overtime expansion to small businesses, nonprofit organizations, and public employers; prohibits automatic increases in the salary threshold; and requires that any future changes to the duties test must be subject to notice and comment.

How you can help

If your city wishes to comment on this proposed FLSA change, or the bill stopping the change, please reach out to your **federal representative** (Link to:

http://www.house.gov/representatives/find/) and U.S. Sens. Al Franken (Link to: https://www.franken.senate.gov/? p=contact) and Amy Klobuchar (Link to: https://www.klobuchar.senate.gov/public/contact-amy).

Additionally, to prepare for the possible rule changes, cities should identify employees currently classified as exempt who will fail the new salary test and budget appropriately to either increase the salaries for these employees or plan for potential overtime costs. Alternatively, cities can review the duties assigned to these employees to see if they can be reassigned to employees who will remain exempt under the new rules.

Please let the League know of any questions or concerns you have by contacting staff members Laura Kushner at (651) 281-1203 or **lkushner@lmc.org** (Link to: mailto:lkushner@lmc.org), or Joyce Hottinger at (651) 281-1216 or **jhottinger@lmc.org** (Link to: mailto:jhottinger@lmc.org).

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Full House Passes Fireworks Expansion Legislation



Despite opposition from cities, fire chiefs, and the Regions Hospital Burn Unit, the bill passed off the House floor. Its fate remains uncertain in the Senate. (Published Apr 18, 2016)

A bill that would expand the definition of consumer fireworks in Minnesota to include aerial and audible devices passed off the House floor on April 12 on a vote of 73-56. The measure, **HF 1089** (Link to: https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/bill.php?

f=HF1089&b=house&y=2016&ssn=0) (Rep. Jason Rarick (Link to:

http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/members/members.asp?leg_id=15445), R-Pine City), is backed by the fireworks industry.

Prior to reaching the floor, it passed on a voice vote out of the House Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy Committee on March 10 and out of the Government Operations and Elections Policy Committee on a rollcall vote of 9-7 on March 15.

Senate bill

The Senate companion, SF 465 (Link to: https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/bill.php?

f=SF465&y=2015&ssn=0&b=senate) (Sen. Torrey Westrom (Link to:

http://www.senate.leg.state.mn.us/members/member_bio.php?leg_id=10709), R-Elbow Lake), has not been scheduled for a hearing, but it could be amended into another bill before the session ends.

The measure is similar, but not identical, to legislation that was vetoed in 2012 by Gov. Dayton.

League opposition

The League has long opposed fireworks expansion legislation for safety and other reasons. City officials with concerns about this legislation are encouraged to contact their legislators and request they vote against the bill.

To learn more about this bill and the League's opposition to it, read a previous Cities Bulletin article (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/page/l/fireworksexpansion.jsp).

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Process Point: How Do Conference Committees Consider New Ideas?



With last year's omnibus tax and transportation bills awaiting action in conference committees, chairs look for ways to amend new ideas, including city initiatives.

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In the rush to process bills to meet the committee deadlines, the omnibus tax and transportation bills—which were passed by the House and Senate last year, but never reconciled by conference committees—have been largely out of the limelight. City officials may be wondering the status of these bills and whether any new language can be added to them.

As for the status, there is basically nothing new to report. The House and Senate Taxes and Transportation committees have been meeting and hearing individual tax bills introduced in the House and Senate, but the tax conference committee has yet to officially reconvene and the transportation conference committee has only met once for a brief review of last year's House and Senate bills.

Merging new provisions into last year's omnibus bills

And what about the question of new language? Well, there is quite a bit of confusion about that, even among legislators, staff, and lobbyists.

During **House Taxes Committee** (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mm.us/cmte/Home/?comm=89023) meetings this year, Chair **Greg Davids** (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mm.us/members/members.asp? id=10123) (R-Preston) has repeatedly told the committee members that he has never in his legislative career read the legislative rules as carefully and completely as he has this year. The issue he is exploring is how new tax provisions can be merged into the 2015 omnibus tax bill, which was approved last year on the House floor and is awaiting action this year in the conference committee.

This year, the House and **Senate Taxes** (Link to: http://www.senate.mm/committees/committee_bio.php? cmte_id=1019&ls=) committees have been hearing a variety of new bills, including bills related to federal income tax conformity and expanding the definition of nexus to allow the state to extend sales tax collection responsibility to online retailers. But also in the mix are a number of city sales tax proposals, tax increment district amendments, and sales tax exemption bills.

If the Legislature is to follow past practice and approve only one omnibus tax bill, the House and Senate will have to navigate their own procedural rules that are supposed to limit or at least deter adding new subject matter to bills already

debated and approved on the House and Senate floors.

Procedural rules

There are several sets of rules that govern the process. The House and Senate maintain separate rules, but the two bodies also agree on joint rules. For new items to be amended into the existing omnibus tax bills, these rules generally govern the process:

- House Permanent Rule 6.40: A conference committee report must include only subject matter contained in the House or Senate versions of the bill for which that conference committee was appointed, or like subject matter contained in a bill passed by the House or Senate.
- Joint Rules of the House and Senate 2.06: A conference committee report must be limited to provisions that are germane to the bill and amendments that were referred to the conference committee. A provision is not germane if it relates to a substantially different subject or is intended to accomplish a substantially different purpose from that of the bill and amendment that were referred to the conference committee.

In summary, under House rules and the jointly adopted rules of the House and Senate, any language amended into a House or Senate conference committee bill needs to be of like subject matter or germane to the bill, although the terms are not strictly defined.

Rules? What rules?

Although the rules are adopted by each body, according to one long-time staff member, they do not carry the weight of state law. "Stretching the rules may be more of a political issue than a legal issue, but in the end, they can do just about anything they want."

Stay tuned.

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House State Government Finance Bill Contains Provisions of Concern to Cities



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The House State Government Finance Committee (Link to:

http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/cmte/Home/?comm=89021) heard and passed its omnibus finance bill to the **Ways and Means Committee** (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/cmte/Home/?comm=89026) on April 14. The bill, **HF 3168** (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/comm/docs/1d5ae699-4c01-4d57-b50f-6330958feece.pdf) (**Rep. Sarah Anderson** (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/members/members.asp? leg_id=15269), R-Plymouth), as amended, contains several provisions of concern to cities.

Restrictions on use of interim ordinances

Rep. Jim Nash (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/members/members.asp?id=15441) (R-Waconia) offered an amendment (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/comm/docs/5dc65ccd-1729-4058-8b59-409e5f601d9c.pdf) that would require cities to hold a public hearing following a 10-day notice period in a newspaper of general circulation if an interim ordinance is being considered that is proposing to regulate, restrict, or prohibit activities "related to housing."

This language was included in the author's standalone bill, HF 2585 (Link to: https://www.revisor.mm.gov/bills/text.php?number=HF2585&version=1&session=ls89&session_year=2016&session_number=0), which was heard in the House Government Operations and Elections Policy Committee (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mm.us/cmte/Home/?comm=89011) and passed to the general register. The companion, SF 2694 (Link to: https://www.revisor.mm.gov/pages/doctypes/bills/bill.php? b=Senate&f=SF2694&ssn=0&y=2016) (Sen. Melisa Franzen (Link to:

http://www.senate.leg.state.mn.us/members/member_bio.php?leg_id=15379), DFL-Edina), stalled in the Senate State and Local Government Committee (Link to:

 ${\it http://www.senate.leg.state.mn.us/committees/committee_bio.php?cmte_id=3061\&ls=)} \ and \ was \ laid \ on \ the \ table.$

The League has testified in opposition to the bill in both bodies as well as to the amendment. Despite the League's objections, the amendment was adopted.

Elimination of the Legislative Water Commission

The bill also includes language eliminating the Legislative Water Commission. This language is found in article 1, section 2, lines 1.24-2.2, along with the repeal of Minnesota Statutes, section 3.886, found in article 2, section 32 (B). This language was never heard in committee in either the House or the Senate this legislative session.

The League submitted a letter opposing the elimination of the commission (pdf)

(Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/letter_watercommission041416.pdf).

Changes to Veterans Preference Act

Section 19 of the bill proposes changes to the Veterans Preference Act, clarifying that a veteran would have a choice of a three-person panel or a civil service commission. The bill also strikes language requiring that the cost of the three-person panel be shared by the veteran and the employer. Instead, the political subdivision would pay all costs of the hearing, including the veteran's attorney fees if the hearing reverses "the level of the alleged incompetency or misconduct requiring discharge."

The League testified in opposition to the language and is working with the author to find a compromise.

The standalone bill, HF 3416 (Link to: https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?

number=HF3416&version=0&session=ls89&session_year=2016&session_number=0) (**Rep. Jeff Howe** (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/members/members.asp?id=15401), R-Rockville), was heard in the **House**

Veterans Affairs Division (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/cmte/Home/?comm=89022), but did not make deadline. The League testified with concerns during that hearing as well. The Senate companion, **SF 3239** (Link to: https://www.revisor.mn.gov/pages/doctypes/bills/bill.php?

b=Senate&f=SF3239&ssn=0&y=2016) (Sen. Bruce Anderson (Link to)

http://www.senate.leg.state.mn.us/member_bio.php?leg_id=10013), R-Buffalo) has not had a hearing in the Senate.

• Learn more about the state government finance bill in the House Session Daily (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/sessiondaily/SDView.aspx?StoryID=10136)

In the Senate

The Senate State Departments and Veterans Budget Division (Link to:

 $\textit{http://www.senate.leg.state.mn.us/committees/committee_bio.php?cmte_id=3066\&ls=)}\ passed\ its\ \textit{articles}\ (\textit{Link to:}\ articles)$

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Senate Finance Committee (Link to: http://www.senate.mn/committees/committee_bio.php?cmte_id=1007&ls=) versus a companion bill to the House's state government finance bill. The Senate Finance Committee is hearing individual articles that will eventually be compiled into **SF 1935** (Link to: https://www.revisor.mn.gov/pages/doctypes/bills/bill.php?b=Senate&f=SF1935&ssn=0&y=2015), the Senate's supplemental budget bill.

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Broadband Bills Vary Greatly Between House and Senate



The Senate version keeps the current grant program requirements largely intact, while the House is considering additional administrative changes. (Published Apr 18, 2016)

Broadband funding provisions are included in House and Senate omnibus bills and will be heard this week. The Senate version keeps the current grant program requirements largely intact, while the House is considering additional administrative changes.

House broadband language adds administrative layers, allocates \$15 million in FY 2017, and \$25 million in FY 2018

The House omnibus policy and finance bill, HF 3931 (Link to:

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/bill.php?b=House&f=HF3931&ssn=0&y=2015) (Rep. Pat Garofalo (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/members.asp?leg_id=12262), R-Farmington), will be heard in the House Job Growth and Energy Affordability Policy and Finance Committee (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/cmte/Home/?comm=89016) on April 18 and 19. The delete-all amendment (Link to: http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/comm/docs/d5b6530d-04d4-481a-9786-b96211552837.pdf) to the bill that is expected to be adopted includes several changes to the broadband grant program.

The initial House bill funded the grant program at \$35 million for fiscal year (FY) 2017, but now the funding has slightly increased and is spread out over two years. For FY 2017, \$15 million is granted, with \$25 million in base funding for FY 2018. Furthermore, the omnibus bill contains several carve-outs within the \$15 million to: low-income areas (\$500,000), wireless technology installation (\$1 million), and cities in Greater Minnesota with a population greater than 2,000 for economic development (\$5 million).

A primary area of discussion this session in the House has been grant eligibility issues, such as defining unserved and underserved areas. There have been several varying definitions establishing the eligibility criteria, and the League will continue to advocate for eligibility speeds identified by the Governor's Broadband Task Force.

The bill also makes some administrative changes to the Office of Broadband Development's administration of the grant. The League is neutral on some of the changes, but has concerns about a provision that would allow an incumbent provider the "right of first refusal."

Under the provision, if an incumbent provider states it is going to be investing in the area in the following 12 months, the applicant would be required to withdraw his or her application to the grant program. The provision does not allow for any enforcement if the incumbent provider fails to install broadband infrastructure within the year as stated. The League wants providers that are willing to invest or upgrade their infrastructure to be eligible to apply, regardless of the incumbent provider's intentions.

Senate broadband bill makes \$85 million investment, keeps program requirements largely intact

The Senate's broadband funding bill, SF 2447 (Link to:

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/pages/doctypes/bills/bill.php?b=Senate&f=SF2447&ssn=0&y=2016) (Sen. Matt Schmit (Link to: http://www.senate.leg.state.mn.us/members/member_bio.php?leg_id=15387), D-Red Wing) continues to move and is now included as a budget article (Link to: http://www.senate.mn/committees/2015-2016/1007_Committee_on_Finance/Broadband%20Article.pdf) that will be heard in the Committee on Finance (Link to: http://www.senate.mn/committees/committee bio.php?cmte id=1007&ls=) SOOn.

The legislation funds the Border-to-Border Broadband Grant Program at \$85 million for FY 2017. The bill also makes League-supported changes to the program's eligibility requirements that match the Governor's Broadband Task Force's new state speed goals adopted earlier this year. The League supports the strong investment to the program included in the Senate budget article.

A bill on the Senate floor, SF 2448 (Link to: https://www.revisor.mn.gov/pages/doctypes/bills/bill.php? b=Senate&f=SF2448&ssn=0&y=2016), updates the state's broadband speed and adoption goals.

Talking points for current House bill

- Thank the legislators for taking up this important issue and considering
 additional funding to the statewide grant program. The bill would make some
 investments in the grant program, but we know the funding gap is much
 larger.
- In its current form, the House bill changes the eligible use of grant funds to include technologies that may deliver low speeds. These speeds are not adequate for local communities and economies now or in the future, and would run counter to the speeds recommended by the Governor's Broadband Task Force.

Talking points for both the House and Senate bills

• Share examples of your city's need to improve broadband access to your residents in order to remain economically competitive.

• Even if your city has broadband, it's critical that you talk with your legislators about the importance of investing state dollars in adequate infrastructure and affordable technology for consumers, like the grant program has deployed over the last two years.

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Cities are increasingly looking for ways to regulate short-term rentals available through organizations like Airbnb. (Published)

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YXbmMwCFQmSaQod4X8Dlw&dclid=CMuBhobbmMwCFYx4AQodmU0E9w) and VRBO.com (Link to: https://www.vrbo.com/) have made things interesting for cities and residents. These are services individuals may use to arrange short-term rental of someone's house, apartment, room, or bed for a night or more. Sometimes they cause issues for cities.

Increasingly, cities are seeking information on whether and how to regulate these "short-term rental" situations. League research attorneys are available to answer your questions.

What can cities regulate?

Under state law, the Department of Health has jurisdiction to license and inspect hotels, motels, and lodging establishments unless a city or county has been delegated that responsibility.

Hotels and motels are defined as buildings, structures, enclosures, or any part thereof used as, maintained as, advertised as, or held out to be places where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the public for a stay of **less than a week**. This alone captures a lot of short-term situations advertised online.

Lodging establishments are defined as buildings, structures, enclosures, or any part thereof used as, maintained as, advertised as, or held out as places where sleeping accommodations are furnished to the public as regular roomers for stays of a week or more and having five or more beds to let to the public. (Lodging establishments also include accommodations for those awaiting medical treatment, their family, and caregivers.)

In short, a lot of typical AirBNB or VRBO.com situations are subject to state regulation, but that does not preclude additional regulation by the city.

The state and its delegates have invested a lot of effort into locating and requiring licensing compliance by applicable properties throughout the state offering accommodations through AirBNB, VRBO.com, or other means. However, the level of state/delegate licensing compliance of short-term rentals might inevitably remain low due to:

- The amount of state/delegate manpower required.
- The fact that new short-term rentals constantly enter the market.
- Those offering accommodations not in compliance may be notified and then take steps to avoid further detection from licensing authorities.

For these reasons, the state fully supports cities adopting some regulation of situations potentially subject to state licensing to the extent it better enables state law licensing compliance.

The short-term rental of any space having fewer than five beds and for periods of a week or more is unregulated by state law. These are situations only a city may regulate—at least until a legislative change gives regulatory authority to the state and its delegates or makes it exempt from any regulation, including city ordinance. There are plenty of situations the city *can* regulate.

How can cities regulate these situations?

The two basic approaches cities currently use to regulate short-term rentals are licensing/permitting or prohibition. How cities regulate short-term rentals varies in what constitutes "rental," what accommodations are subject to regulation, the location of the property, and other respects. For information on cities and counties that have taken steps to regulate these situations, contact the League Research and Information Department at (651) 281-1200, (800) 925-1122, or research@lmc.org (Link to: mailto:research@lmc.org).

Should cities regulate short-term rentals?

This is a decision for each city to make. If a city chooses to ban short-term rentals, it will have to figure out how to enforce a ban on what can be difficult to detect and yet is an increasingly popular phenomenon.

If a city licenses or otherwise permits these situations, it will have to find a way to do so that doesn't discourage participation in the regulation. There are certainly reasons to, at the very least, have a record of the short-term rentals being made available within the city and to have a person to contact in the event there are complaints by neighbors. Again, the state or its delegated licensing authority is eager to work with cities to maintain state licensing compliance.

If you have questions about short-term rentals, contact the League Research and Information Department at (651) 281-1200, (800) 925-1122, or **research@lmc.org** (Link to: mailto:research@lmc.org).

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DEED Offers Information Sessions on Applying for Two Funding Programs

The Minnesota Department of Employment & Economic Development (DEED) will be holding a series of informational sessions this spring and early summer for local units of government on the Minnesota Investment Fund (Link to: http://mn.gov/deed/business/financing-business/deed-programs/mn-investment-fund.jsp) (MIF) as well as the operation of Revolving Loan Funds (Link to: http://www.cdfa.net/cdfa/cdfaweb.nsf/ordredirect.html?open&id=rlffactsheet.html) (RLFs) funded by past repayments from both state and federal MIF awards.

The schedule for these free, voluntary meetings is as follows:

Waite Park City Hall (19 13th Avenue North) May 18, 8 a.m.

Fergus Falls City Hall (112 West Washington Avenue) May 18, 2 a.m.

Bemidji (Greater Bemidji offices, 102 1st St. W, Suite 101) May 19, 9:30 a.m.

Eveleth City Hall (413 Pierce Street) May 19, 2 p.m.

Owatonna Public Facilities (208 Walnut Ave.) May 25, 8:30 a.m.

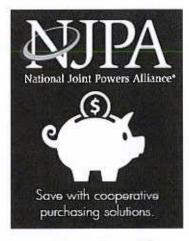
Redwood Falls Public Library (509 South Lincoln Street) May 25, 1 p.m.

DEED Offices, St. Paul (332 Minnesota Street - Suite E200) June 7, 1 p.m.

Please select the meeting that is most convenient, and RSVP your attendance by contacting Jordan Zeller at jordan.zeller@state.mn.us (Link to: mailto:jordan.zeller@state.mn.us) or (651) 259-7426.

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Property Tax Base Information Now Available

Every year the League prepares several documents describing recent trends in property taxes and city finances. The 2016 city-by-city listing of market value and tax capacity composition is now available. The full 2016 property tax report and property tax data, including detailed information on city property tax rates and levies, will be available later this fall.

For taxes payable in 2016, total market value for all cities together is \$382,499,552,241, an increase of 5.63 percent over 2015. Individually, all classes of city property except agricultural actually increased in 2016. The greatest growth was in non-homestead residential property, 9.08 percent. Changes in statewide tax capacity were similar; the total tax capacity was up 5.73 percent for taxes payable in 2016.

View the 2016 City-by-City Market Value & Tax Capacity Composition (pdf) (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/2016composition.pdf?inline=true)

Access property tax information for 2016 and previous years (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/page/1/property-tax-reports.jsp)

The League offers several "101" documents that provide basic background information on several aspects of city finance, including property taxes. Documents on the property tax system include Property Tax 101 (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/propertytax101.pdf?inline=true), Property Tax Statement 101 (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/proptaxstatement101.pdf?inline=true), Fiscal Disparities 101 (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/fd101.pdf?inline=true), and State Homeowner Property Tax Relief Programs 101 (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/proptaxrelief101.pdf?inline=true). Also available are several resources designed to help share information on the property system with residents. Why Your Property Taxes Change from Year to Year (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/propertytaxfaq.pdf?inline=true) and four related videos are available to help engage residents in conversation about property taxes.

Access these and other property tax resources (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/page/1/property-tax-state-funding-fiscal-issues.jsp)

If you have questions about any of the documents or data, contact Rachel Walker at (651) 281-1236 or rwalker@lmc.org (Link to: mailto:rwalker@lmc.org), or Lena Gould at (651) 281-1245 or lgould@lmc.org (Link to: mailto:lgould@lmc.org).

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Nominate an Outstanding Woman in City Government

Minnesota Women in City Government (MWCG) will offer Leadership Awards to two outstanding women in Minnesota city government in 2016 and is seeking nominations. One award will be presented to an elected woman in city government, and another award will go to an appointed woman in city government. Both winners will be recognized for individual achievement in their city, as well as leadership and mentoring roles both inside and outside of their communities.

Nominations are due by 4:30 p.m. on May 1. Nominations will be reviewed by the Minnesota Women in City Government Board and will be announced by the Board at the Annual Board Meeting on June 15 during the League of Minnesota Cities Annual Conference in St. Paul.

The nomination form and nomination statement should be emailed with attachments to the MWCG Board at mnwomeningovt@gmail.com (Link to: mailto: mnwomeningovt@gmail.com) . Please complete a separate nomination form for each person you are nominating. If you are unable to email your nomination or if you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Pinski at (651) 275-9590.

Access the nomination form (pdf) (Link to: http://www.lmc.org/media/document/1/mwcgnominationform.pdf?inline=true)

Past MWCG Leadership Award Winners

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Ady Wickstrom, Councilmember, City of Shoreview Carolyn Holje, City of Dassel

2014

Elizabeth Weir, Mayor, City of Medina Shaunna Johnson, Administrator, City of Waite Park

2013

Kathy Hemken, Mayor, City of New Hope Kellie Neu, Assistant Administrator, Becker

2012

Andrea Lauer, Mayor, City of Royalton Jessica Rich, Administrator, City of Floodwood

2011

Susan Banovetz, Mayor, City of Vadnais Heights Kandis Hanson, City Manager, City of Mound

2010

Jane Robbins, Mayor, City of Pine City Lisa Vatnsdal, Neighborhood Services Manager, City of Moorhead

2009

Pat Coupanger, Councilmember, City of Elmore Laurie Ahrens, City Manager, City of Plymouth

2008

Elizabeth Kuoppala, Councilmember, City of Eveleth Theresa Goble, Finance Director, City of Brainerd

2007

Brenda Johnson, Councilmember and Vice Mayor, City of Chatfield Desyl Peterson, City Attorney, City of Minnetonka

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Announcements from Representative Lyndon Carlson

Legislative Update - April 15, 2016

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Rep. Lyndon Carlson Sr. (45A) - Legislative Update

Dear Neighbors,

Today we voted on the E-12 education funding bill in the House Tax Committee, and it will be heard again in the Ways and Means Committee next week before heading to the House Floor. There is no new funding in the Republican education budget, but a wide array of policy changes. You can read more about the Republican education plan by reading the House Public Information Office's Session Daily article "Education finance bill is long on policy but short on funding" on the House website.

There are several other major finance bills moving through the final steps of the committee process, including the higher education finance bill, which we will hear in Ways and Means Committee next week. The higher education budget target was also set at zero by the majority, leaving no room for freezing tuition at the University of Minnesota or four year campuses of the MnSCU system in the House proposal. You can read more about that here: "Higher education committee approves lean omnibus bill"

For a recap of the many other committee actions that took place this week, you can check this helpful round-up prepared by <u>House Public Information Services</u> here.

TAX DEADLINE DAY IS APRIL 18: MN DEPT.
OF REVENUE HAS TAXPAYERS TIPS

News Items

Legislative Update - April 8, 2016 - (Posted: 2016-04-08) Legislative Update - March 30 2016 - (Posted: 2016-03-30) Legislative Update - March 17, 2016 - (Posted: Mar 17 2016 12:00PM)

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The 2016 income tax filing season ends at midnight on Monday, April 18, so you have a few extra days to file this year. Emancipation Day - a holiday in the District of Columbia - is being observed on Friday, April 15, pushing back the official filing day to the next business day – Monday, April 18. If you have not filed yet, the Minnesota Department of Revenue offers these tips to help taxpayers:

- E-file and choose direct deposit the most secure and convenient way to file your taxes and get your refund.
- Enter your name and any dependents names exactly as they appear on Social Security cards. Incorrect names or Social Security numbers can result in refund delays.
- Double-check bank routing and account numbers used on tax forms for direct deposit.
 Incorrect account numbers can delay your refund.
- Complete each form and carry totals to the correct lines. If you electronically file, the calculations are automatically done for you.
- Do not staple or use paperclips on your paper return. Staples and paperclips on tax returns need to be removed by hand and can slow down processing.
- If you move after filing your return, contact us right away so anything sent to you will reach you, such as refund checks or requests for more information. You should do this even when requesting a direct deposit. Call us at 651-296-3781 or 1-800-652-9094 (toll-free) to change your address.

File your return by the April 18, 2016 due date, even if you owe more than you can pay. Pay as much as you can by the due date and contact the Minnesota Dept. of Revenue as soon as possible to set up a payment plan for the remaining balance. Acting quickly can help to minimize any late payment penalties. For more information about making your payment electronically, visit the Minnesota Department of Revenue website.

For more individual income tax filing tips, check out the Minnesota Department of Revenue Weekly Tax Tip video series.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can also

contact my office at 651-296-4255 or Rep.Lyndon.Carlson@house.mn .

It is an honor to serve you at the Capitol!

Sincerely,

Lyndon Carlson State Representative

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Anne Norris

From: Robbinsdale Area Schools [robbinsdaleareaschools@rdale.org]

Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 5:04 PM

To: Anne Norris

Subject: Discover: the latest news updates from Robbinsdale Area Schools!





COMMUNITY E-NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Students shine at Rock Orchestra Concert



Local singer-songwriter Jeremy Messersmith performed with Robbinsdale Area Schools students during the district's annual Rock Orchestra Concert at 7 p.m. Friday, April 15, at Robbinsdale Middle School. Combined middle and high school orchestras from Robbinsdale Middle School, Plymouth Middle School, Cooper High School and Armstrong High School performed, along with Rebmahc, an RMS non-classical extra-curricular group. Proceeds will benefit the Instruments 4 Kids campaign, which supports all Robbinsdale Area Schools music programs. This event is sponsored by the Seven Dreams Education Foundation in support of Instruments 4 Kids. Click here for more photos!

Secondary Schools Art Show reception

Artwork from Robbinsdale Area Schools students in grades 6-12 is available for public viewing during the district's Secondary Schools Art Show until April 28 at Robbin Gallery, 4915 42nd Ave. N., Robbinsdale. Awards were given out April 14 during a reception for student artists and their families, and winners from each school received art supplies. Click here to learn more!



Join us for the State of the District Address!

We are excited to invite students, families, staff and district stakeholders to our State of the District Address at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, at FAIR School Crystal.

Supt. Carlton Jenkins will share stories of success from the district, and discuss opportunities to create academic excellence for all students. This event will also feature several musical performances from individual students and student groups. More information will be available on our website about this event as we draw closer to April 26.

For those who can't attend, this event will be recorded and posted on our website.



Wehrkamp hired as Community Ed director

Kristine Wehrkamp will be joining
Robbinsdale Area Schools as our new
Executive Director of Community Education.
"I am very excited about joining the
Robbinsdale team to continue providing
excellent programming for students, families
and the community," she said.
Prior to coming to Robbinsdale Area Schools,
Wehrkamp served for three years as the
director of community education in White
Bear Lake Schools. Previously, she completed
eight years as supervisor of the St. Paul Public
Schools Adult Basic Education program.



Six students athletes sign letters of intent

Six student athletes from Armstrong and Cooper high schools recently signed National Letters of Intent During afternoon ceremonies April 13 at each school, Unique Longs, Kylie Christianson, Melvin Newbern Jr., Maria Schoening, Hannah Rudd and Will Lawson committed themselves to pursuing athletic and academic excellence at colleges around the country.

Click here to read more!

Click here to learn more!



Sixth-annual Relay for Life event meets May 21-22

Armstrong and Cooper High Schools are hosting their sixth-annual Relay For Life event benefiting the American Cancer Society on Saturday, May 21-Sunday, May 22.

Event organizers are hoping to see at least one team from every building and/or program in our district participating in this wonderful community service event. <u>Here</u> is a link to the event home page.

Last year, our district raised \$58,337 for the American Cancer Society and its initiatives. Our district's goal is to raise at least \$65,000 this year.



Upcoming arts events

Sonnesyn Grade 2 Music Program, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 21, Sonnesyn Elementary School

Noble 4th Grade Concert, 2:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, Noble Elementary School **FAIR Talent Show Performance**, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 21, FAIR School Crystal The **Cooper Concert Choir's** involvement in the CANTUS High School Residency program will culminate with a concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, at Normandale Lutheran Church in Edina. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. **ADC and ADO Spring Concert**, 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 25, Robbinsdale Middle School

Concert Videos:

AHS Parade of Bands

AHS Fall Orchestra Concert 10-19-15

Fall Music Festival at Orchestra Hall

Cooper Marching Band Concert "Light Up the Night"

All District & Combined Symphony Band Concert

AHS - PMS Winter Band Concert

CHS Bel Canto & Concert Choir

CHS Variety Show "In The Mix"

Cooper Band Pops Concert 3-4-16

Spring Orchestra Concert 3-5-16

Honors Orchestra and Best In Site Performances 3-14-16

CHS Choir Masterworks Concert 3-15-16

Arts Showcase-All District Band-Best of Site Concert,

AHS 12th Annual Band Variety Show

Commencement information

Our **Highview Alternative Program** students will graduate 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 8, at Sandburg Learning Center.

Our **Adult Academic Program** graduation ceremony will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 2, at Sandburg Learning Center.

Our **Robbinsdale Transition Center** Program graduation ceremony will be at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, June 2, at Sandburg Learning Center.

Our **Armstrong** and **Cooper** high school commencements are at 7 p.m. Friday, June 10. We want to remind people that this year's commencements are on a Friday.

Short Items

The **Friends of the Golden Valley Library** will host its Spring 2016 Book Sale starting April 29. Sale hours are noon to 5 p.m. Friday, April 29; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 30; and noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 1. Cash or check only. The Golden Valley Library is at 830 Winnetka Ave. N., Golden Valley.

Attention, students looking for service hours: the **City of Crystal** is transferring paper records into Laserfiche document imaging. In order to help expedite this process, volunteers are needed to go through the files at City Hall to remove all staples and replace them with paperclips. This will help the people scanning the documents. Call 763-531-1131 for more information.

The **2016 Lavon H. Cooper Scholarship Application** is <u>available online</u>. Are you a graduate of Armstrong, Cooper or Highview who completed a minimum of two consecutive semesters or three consecutive trimesters while maintaining a GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent)? If so, this scholarship is for you! Applications must be postmarked by June 1.

Click here to learn more about Earth Day activities April 23 at New Hope Learning Center! These events are done in conjunction with the Robbinsdale Area Schools ECFE Parent Advisory Council's KidsStuff Garage Sale, held indoors from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at New Hope Learning Center. The event will feature a large selection of childrens and baby items for sale. Cost to attend is a \$3 suggested donation, which supports the ECFE Scholarship fund.

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Do you know someone whose volunteer efforts have significantly improved the lives of area residents in Northwest Hennepin County? Thank them publicly with a nomination for the **2016 Invest Northwest Award**. Nominees may include individuals, organizations and businesses that have gone above and beyond in their volunteer service to the community. Individuals may not nominate themselves or the organization for which they work. Nominations are due by 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 22. Click here to learn more!

The **Robbinsdale High School Alumni Association** will host the First-Annual RHSAA Golf Tournament on Friday, Aug. 12. Click here for an event flyer!

School Board news

The School Board will meet Monday, May 2, for a 5:30 p.m. business meeting followed

by a 6:15 p.m. work session. Follow us on Twitter and Facebook to get important votes and other news live during the regular and business meetings. For more School Board news, click on Minutes, Podcast and Webcast below.

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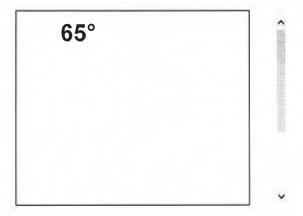
State of the District address is April 26

Published April 21, 2016 at 8:24 am

By Joe Bowen

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Jenkins will "share stories of success from the district, and discuss opportunities to create academic excellence for all students."



The event will also feature musical performances from individual students and student groups.

A recording of the address will be posted on the district's website: rdale.org



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Public Safety

Update: Crystal man shot at front door

Published April 13, 2016 at 12:45 am By Joe Bowen



A house on the 4200 block of Zane Avenue where a man was shot once in the neck.

Crystal police said the shooting was "not random." (Sun Post staff photo by Joe Bowen)

Family drove him to North Memorial; police say shooting was 'not random'

This is an update from an original post at 12:45 a.m. April 13, and was updated at 11:50 a.m.

A Crystal man's family took him to the hospital after he was shot in the doorway of a house late Tuesday night.

Police said the victim was shot once on the left side of the neck and sustained non-life threatening injuries on the 4200 block of Zane Avenue North. Radio chatter during the incident indicated that the victim was shot after answering the front door of his home and was taken to North Memorial Hospital, where he underwent a CAT scan.

Crystal Deputy Police Chief Doug Leslin said the shooting was "not random."

The victim was released from North Memorial relatively quickly, and the wound itself, Leslin said, was not particularly grievous.

There were no eyewitnesses, police said over the radio, but one person who was home during the incident told investigating officers that they heard a loud bang and left a bedroom to see what the noise was. The victim apparently told them he had been shot at the front door and then ran into the kitchen. Police described the suspect only as a

black male who may have left the scene on foot. Shattered glass was still scattered across the front stoop of the house the next day.

On the radio, police suspected there may have been up to a 40-minute "delay" in their investigation. The victim arrived at North Memorial shortly after 11 p.m., according to radio chatter, and police were dispatched there around 11:30 p.m., according to a statement released by the Crystal Police Department.

A neighbor said he heard gunshots around 11 p.m. followed by cars "flying up and down the street." 20-30 minutes later, he said, The Crystal PD and Hennepin County Crime Lab arrived on the scene.

The neighbor added that he has long suspected there are "shenanigans" of some type going on inside. Crystal police were not immediately available to say how often they respond to calls for service at the house.

Police said that there is no risk to the public at this time.

This post will be updated as more information becomes available.

Contact Joe Bowen at joe.bowen@ecm-inc.com